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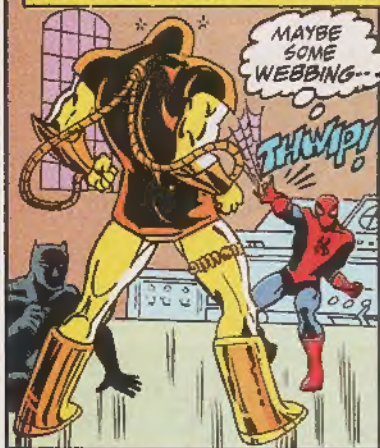
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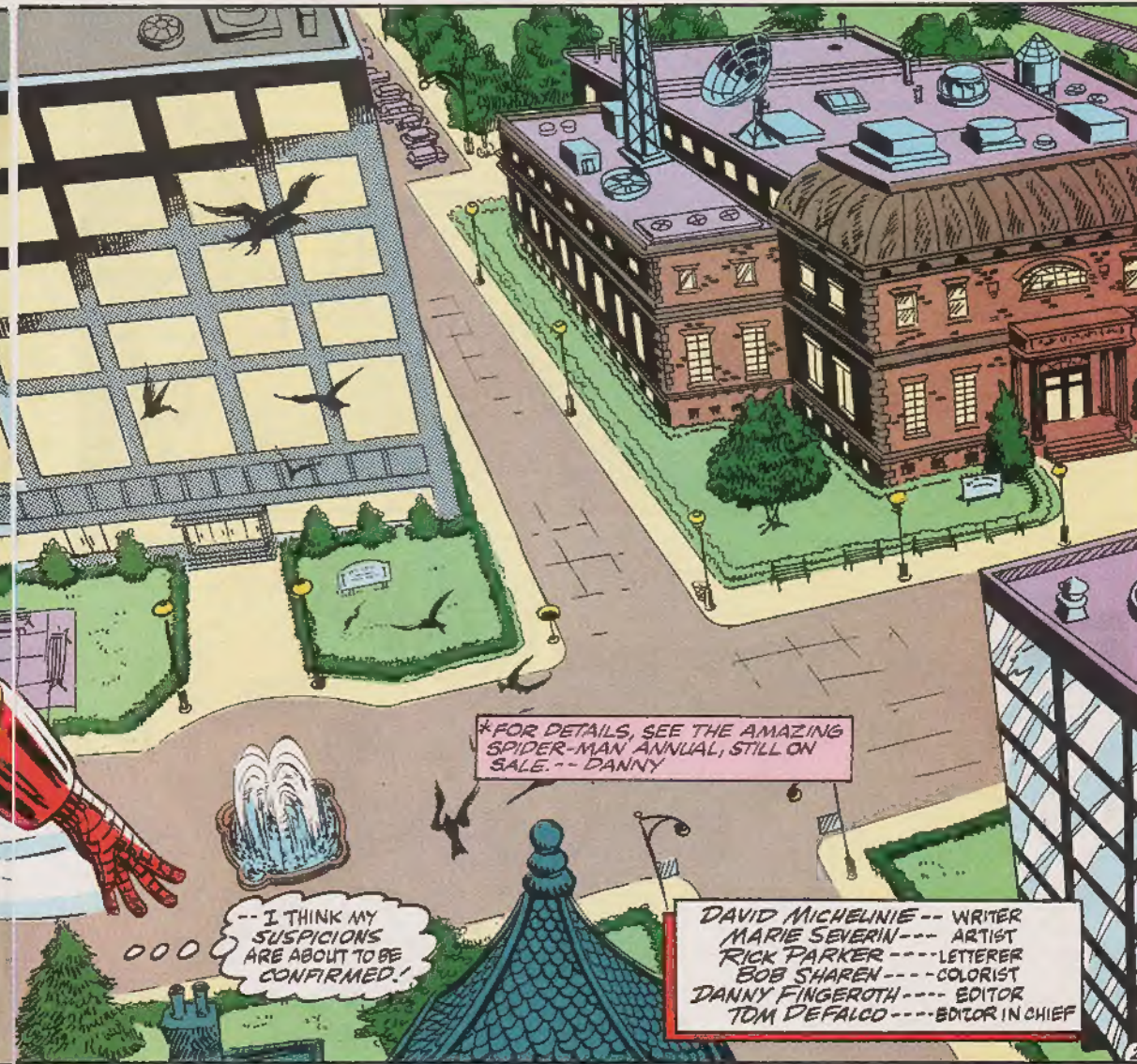
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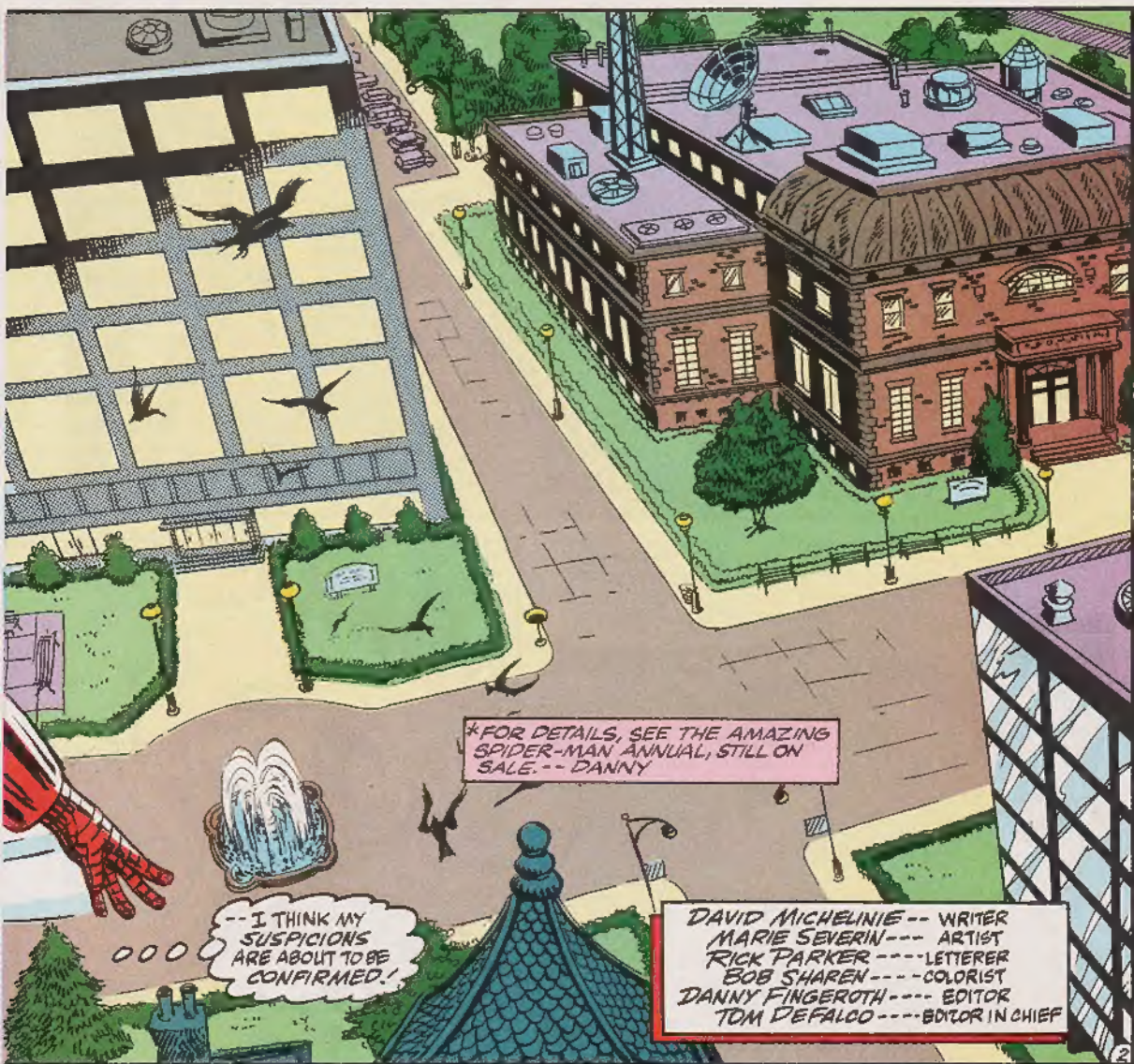
YOU'LL FIND THAT KILLING A GHOST IS MORE EASILY BOASTED ABOUT THAN ACCOMPLISHED!



NOT WHEN I CAN LOCK ON TO YOUR POWER BEAM AND SEND A STREAM OF MY OWN ENERGY BACK TO ITS SOURCE!



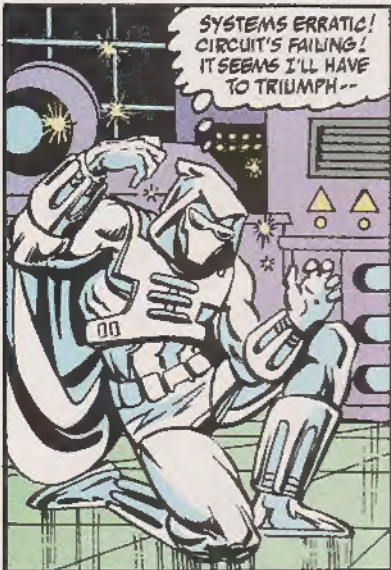
GHOST IS TAKING A MAJOR HIT! AND SUNTURION'S GOING CRAZY! WE'LL NEED A MIRACLE TO GET OUT OF THIS!



*FOR DETAILS, SEE THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN ANNUAL, STILL ON SALE. -- DANNY

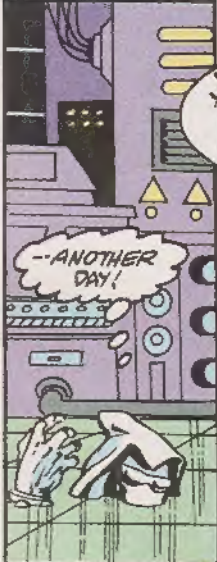
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SYSTEMS ERRATIC!
CIRCUIT'S FAILING!
IT SEEMS I'LL HAVE
TO TRIUMPH--

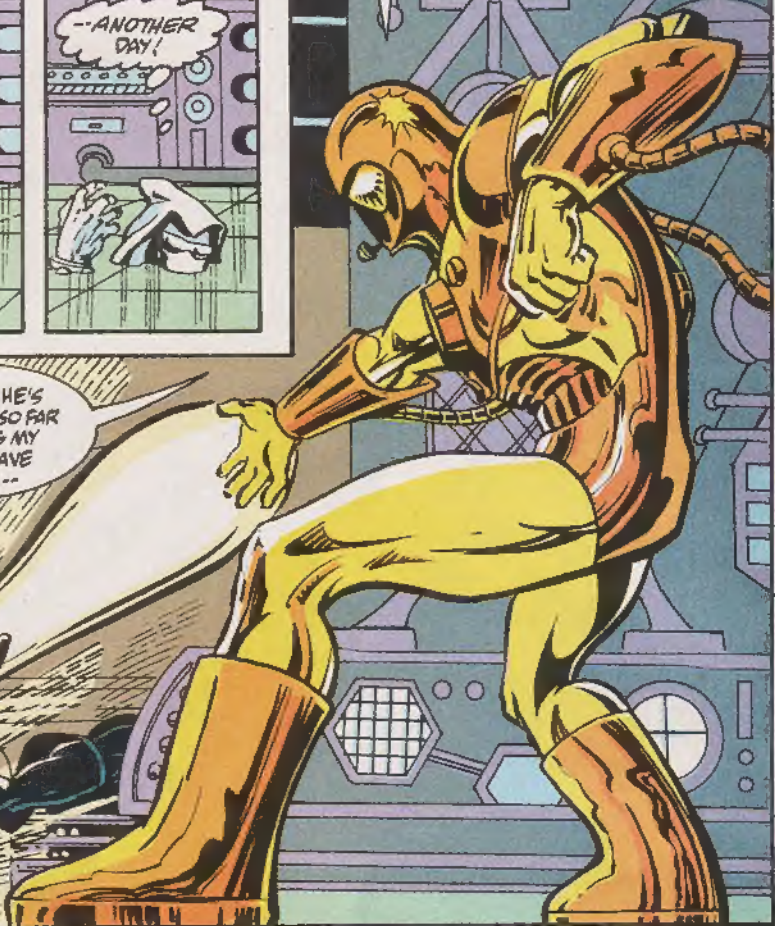


YOUR AGILITY KEEPS
YOU ALIVE, WALL-CRAWLER!
BUT BLACK PANTHER'S
QUICKNESS WON'T
SAVE HIM!

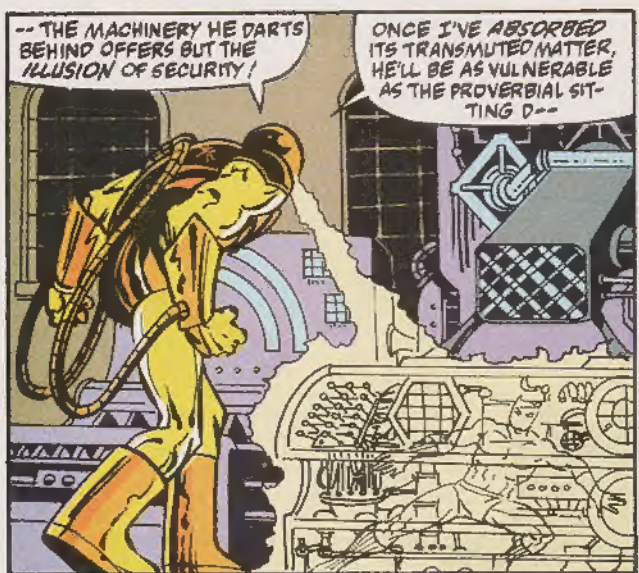
--ANOTHER
DAY!



FOR WHILE HE'S
SUCCEEDED SO FAR
IN EVADING MY
MICROWAVE
BLASTS--



-- THE MACHINERY HE DARTS
BEHIND OFFERS BUT THE
ILLUSION OF SECURITY!

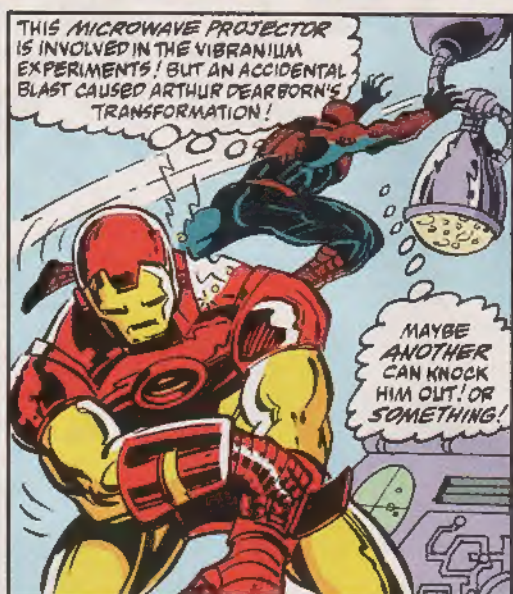


ONCE I'VE ABSORBED
ITS TRANSMUTED MATTER,
HE'LL BE AS VULNERABLE
AS THE PROVERBIAL SIT-
TING D--

SHRAK



--EEAAGH!





WE'RE FINE, ARTHUR. AND... YOU?

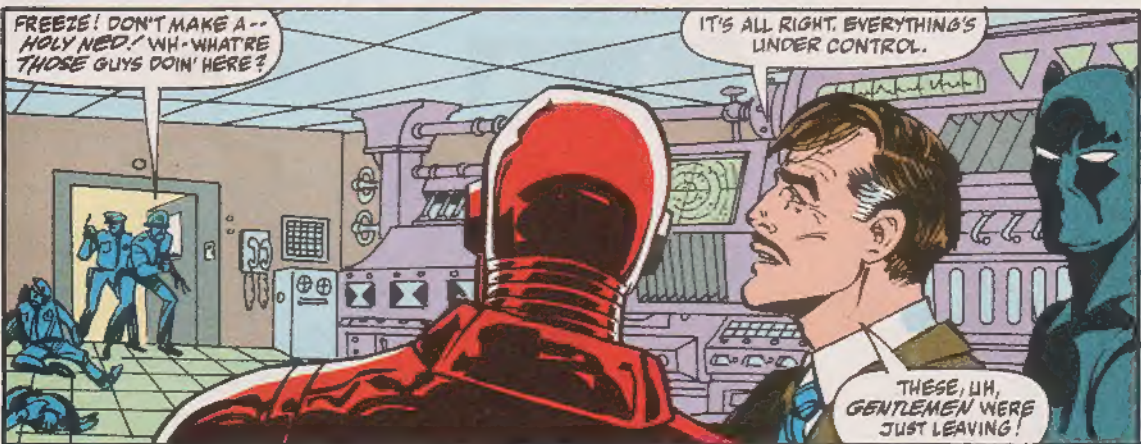
THE SHOCK OF MY REGAINING MY LOST POWERS MUST HAVE TEMPORARILY AFFECTED MY JUDGEMENT!

CAUSED ME TO ACT IN EXTREMES!



BUT I'M ALL RIGHT NOW. LOOK-- I CAN EVEN CONTROL MY METAMORPHOSIS AGAIN!

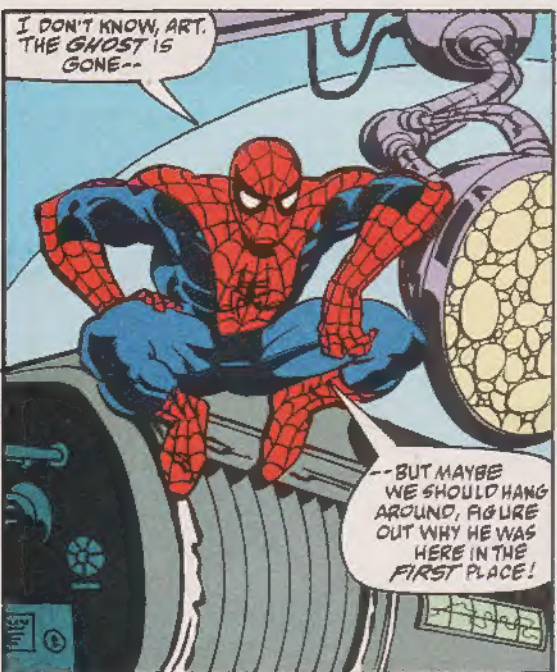
I'M IN FULL CONTROL OF MY BODY AND MIND!



FREEZE! DON'T MAKE A -- HOLY NED! WH-WHAT'RE THOSE GUYS DOIN' HERE?

IT'S ALL RIGHT. EVERYTHING'S UNDER CONTROL.

THESE, UH, GENTLEMEN WERE JUST LEAVING!



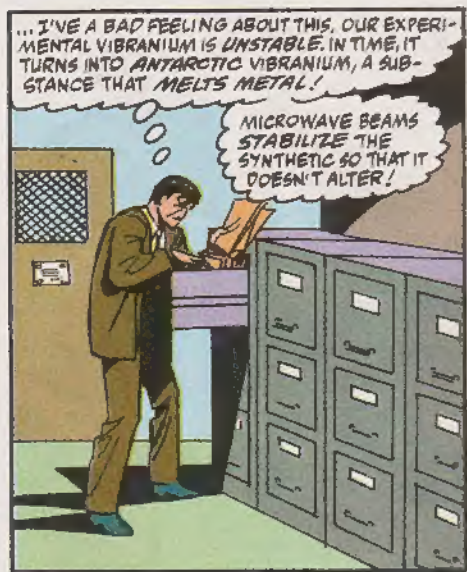
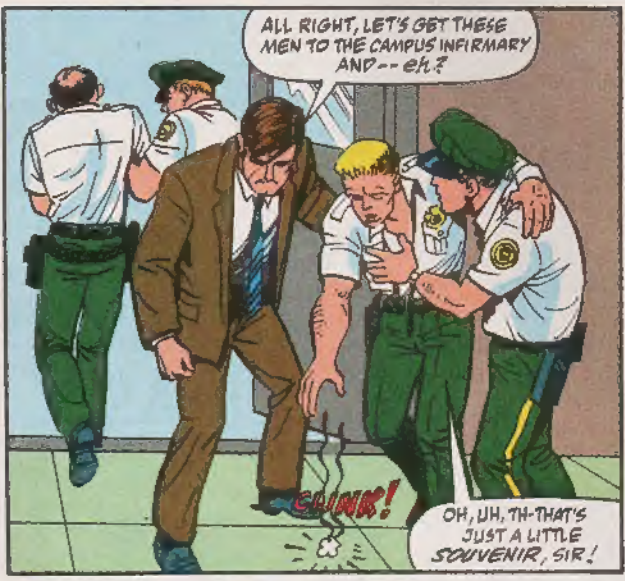
I DON'T KNOW, ART. THE GHOST IS GONE--

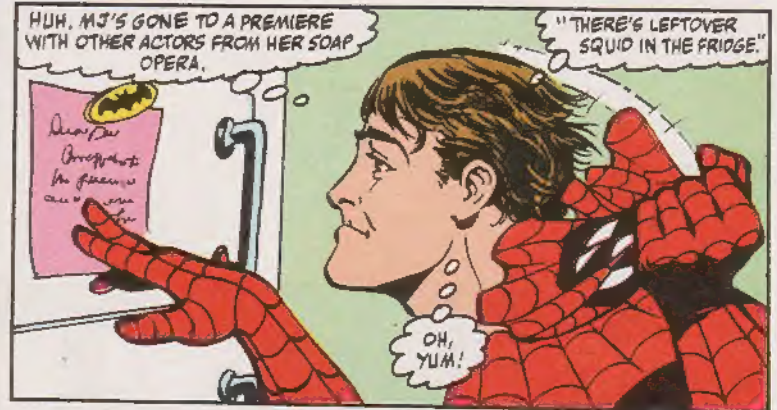
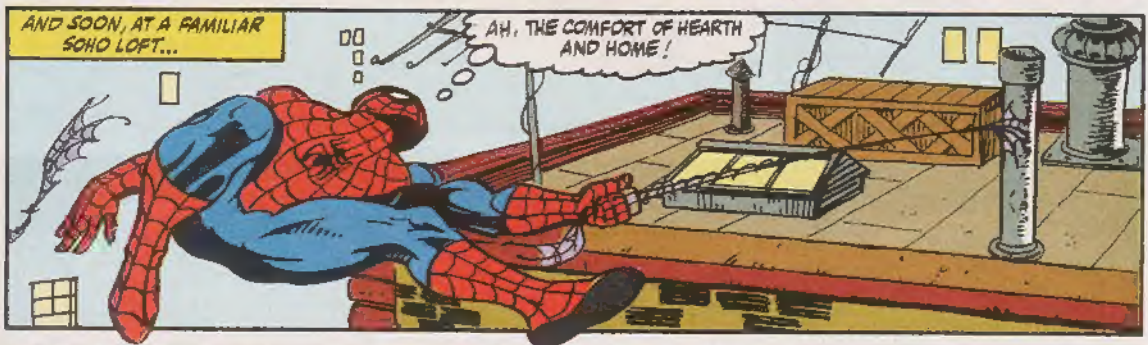
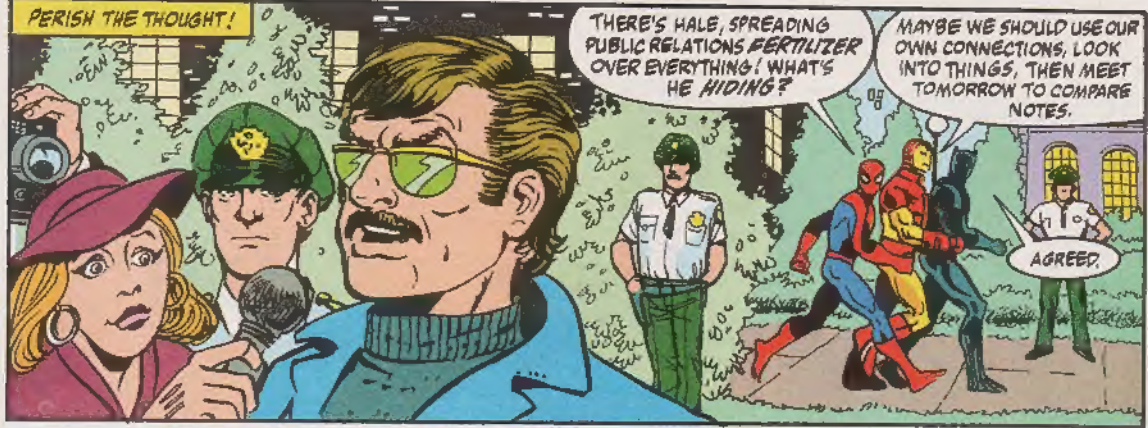
--BUT MAYBE WE SHOULD HANG AROUND, FIGURE OUT WHY HE WAS HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE!



I APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERN, SPIDER-MAN, BUT THIS IS A CLASSIFIED AREA, AND TECHNICALLY--

--YOU ARE TRESPASSING!

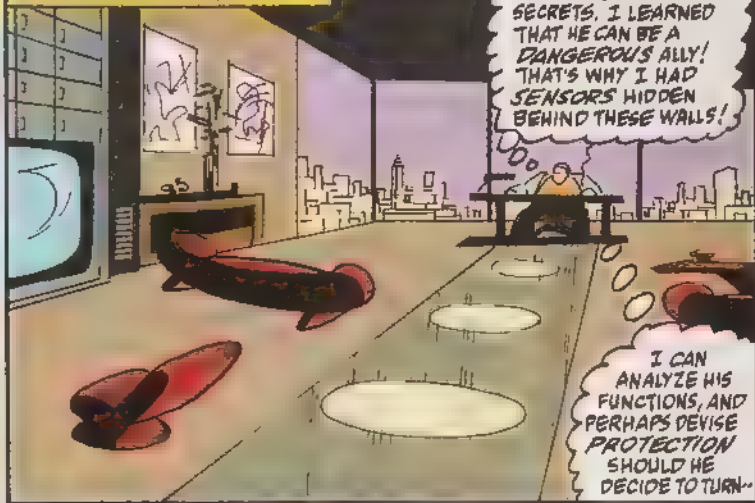




ENJOY THE LULL WHILE YOU CAN,
WEB-SLINGER! BECAUSE UPTOWN,
AT THE POSH OFFICES OF WILSON
FISK--

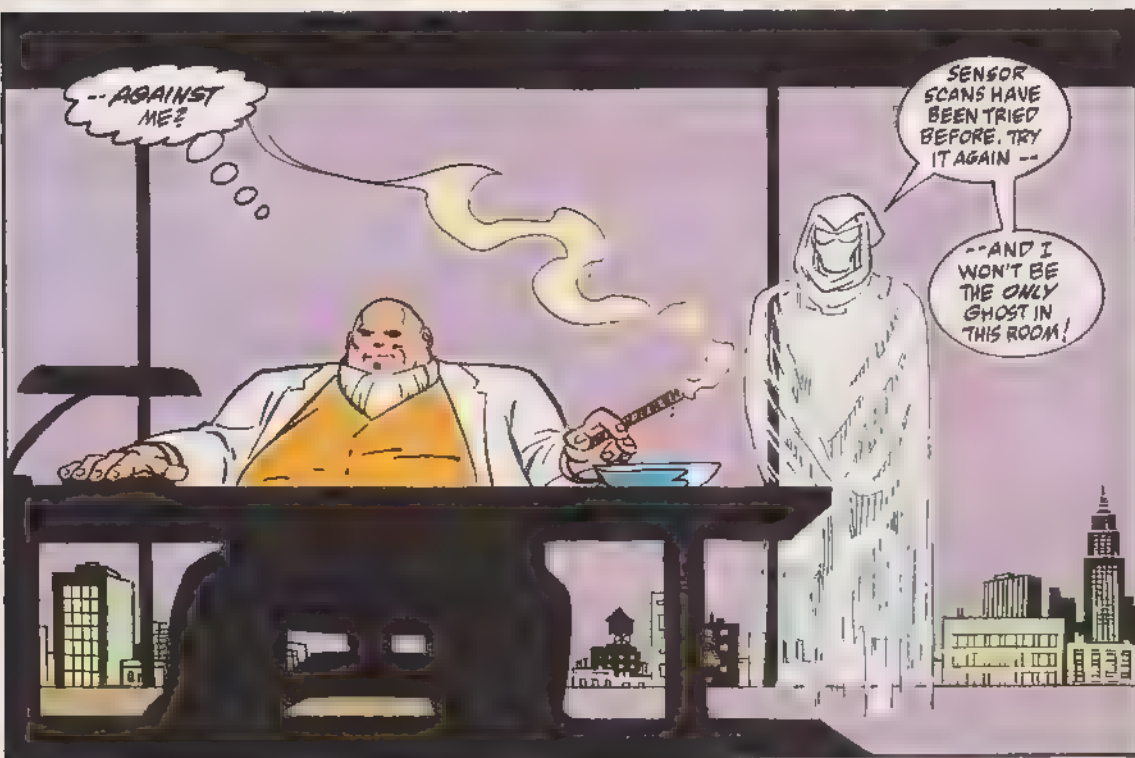


--THE KINGPIN OF CRIME IS
PREPARING SOME EXCITEMENT
OF HIS OWN!



I RESEARCHED THE
GHOST BEFORE HIRING
HIM TO STEAL ROXXON'S
SECRETS. I LEARNED
THAT HE CAN BE A
DANGEROUS ALLY!
THAT'S WHY I HAD
SENSORS HIDDEN
BEHIND THESE WALLS!

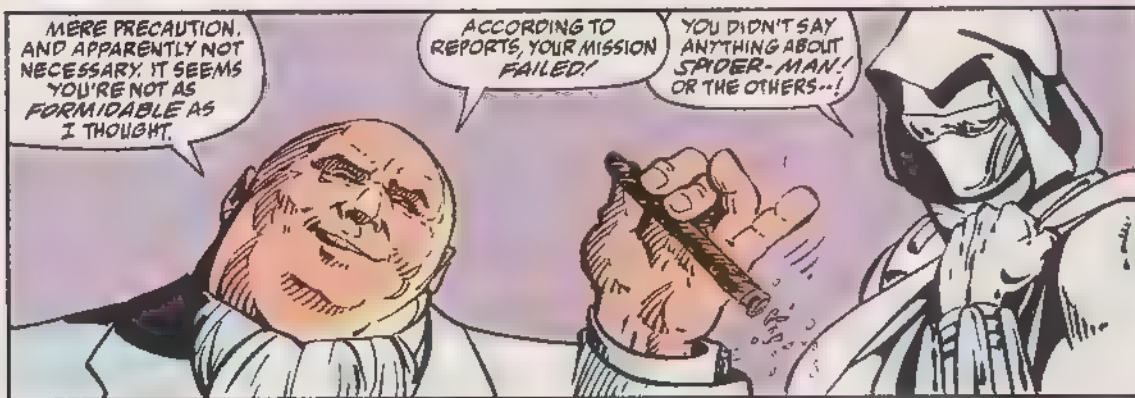
I CAN
ANALYZE HIS
FUNCTIONS, AND
PERHAPS DEVISE
PROTECTION
SHOULD HE
DECIDE TO TURN--



-- AGAINST
ME?

SENSOR
SCANS HAVE
BEEN TRIED
BEFORE. TRY
IT AGAIN --

--AND I
WON'T BE
THE ONLY
GHOST IN
THIS ROOM!



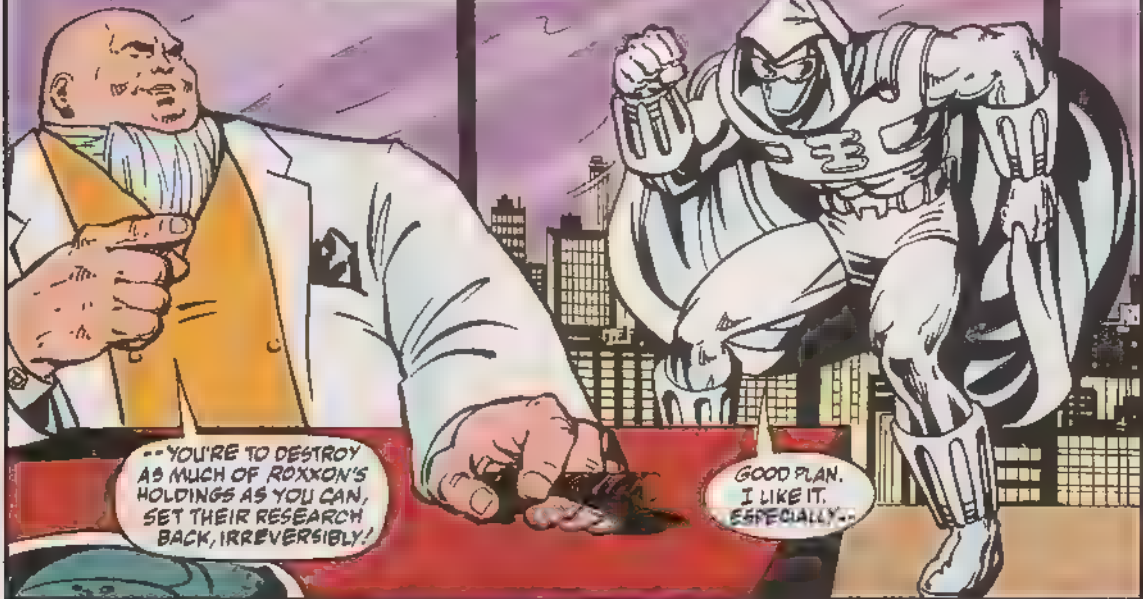
MERE PRECAUTION,
AND APPARENTLY NOT
NECESSARY. IT SEEMS
YOU'RE NOT AS
FORMIDABLE AS
I THOUGHT.

ACCORDING TO
REPORTS, YOUR MISSION
FAILED!

YOU DIDN'T SAY
ANYTHING ABOUT
SPIDER-MAN!
OR THE OTHERS--!

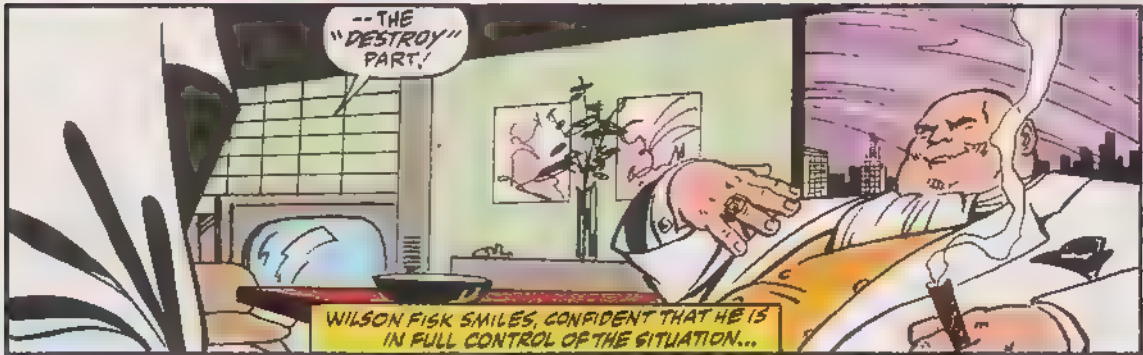
NO MATTER. I'VE CHANGED
YOUR OBJECTIVE, ANYWAY.

I NOW WANT YOU TO BRING
ME A SAMPLE OF THE ARTIFICIAL
VIBRANIUM, SO THAT MY OWN
STAFF CAN ANALYZE AND
DUPLICATE IT. IN THE
PROCESS --



-- YOU'RE TO DESTROY
AS MUCH OF ROXXON'S
HOLDINGS AS YOU CAN,
SET THEIR RESEARCH
BACK, IRREVERSIBLY!

GOOD PLAN.
I LIKE IT,
ESPECIALLY..

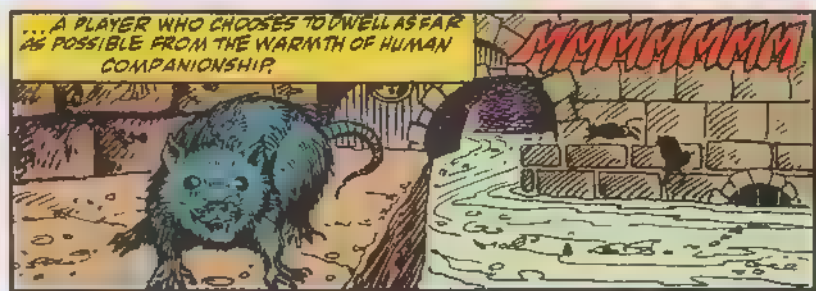


--THE
"DESTROY"
PART!

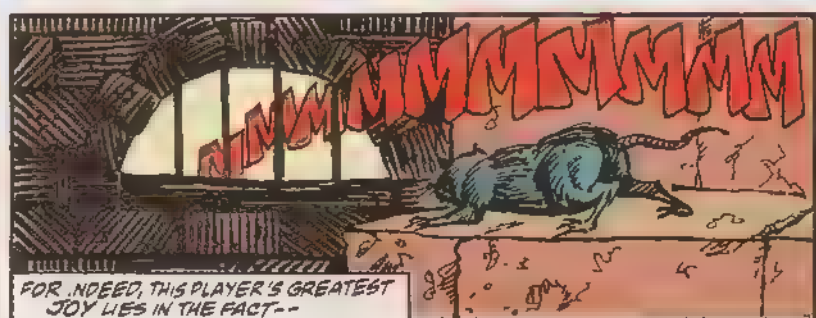
WILSON FISK SMILES, CONFIDENT THAT HE IS
IN FULL CONTROL OF THE SITUATION...



...UNAWARE THAT ANOTHER
PLAYER HAS ENTERED THE
GAME...



...A PLAYER WHO CHOOSES TO DWELL AS FAR
AS POSSIBLE FROM THE WARMTH OF HUMAN
COMPANIONSHIP.



FOR, INDEED, THIS PLAYER'S GREATEST
JOY LIES IN THE FACT--

MMMMMMMMMM

-- THAT HE IS NOT HUMAN AT ALL!

THIS HIDDEN LABORATORY IS BUT ONE OF MANY I MAINTAIN AROUND THE GLOBE! AND ITS PURPOSE IS THE SAME AS THE ONE I RECENTLY ABANDONED IN CALIFORNIA..*

-- THE MANUFACTURE OF A SYNTHETIC ARMY WITH WHICH I SHALL RID THIS PLANET OF ITS BURDEN OF FLESH!

* SEE AVENGERS WEST COAST # 67, -- DANNY

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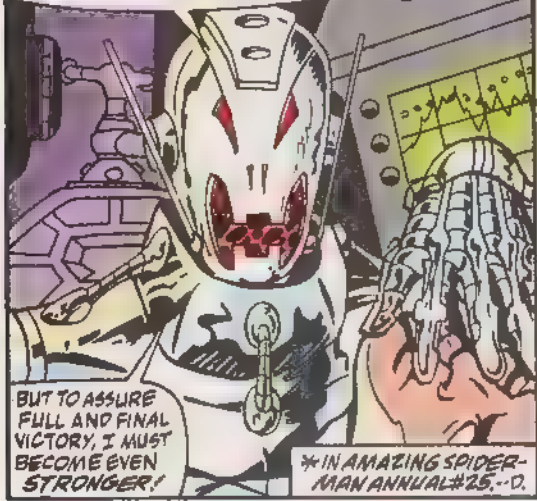
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IT WAS EASY ENOUGH TO ESCAPE THOSE GUARDSMEN, TO EVADE MY DATE WITH THE VAULT!*



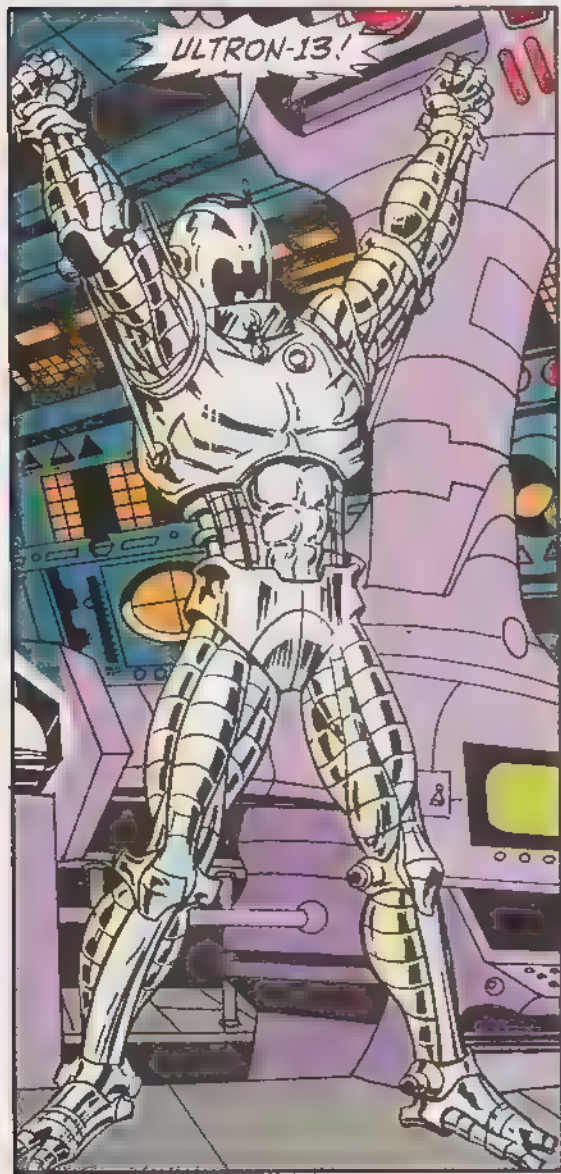
BUT TO ASSURE FULL AND FINAL VICTORY, I MUST BECOME EVEN STRONGER!

*IN AMAZING SPIDER-MAN ANNUAL #25, -D.

IF I CAN INCORPORATE ARTIFICIAL SOUND-ABSORBING VIBRANIUM INTO MY MAGNIFICENT ADAMANTIUM BODY, I CAN BECOME VIRTUALLY INVINCIBLE!



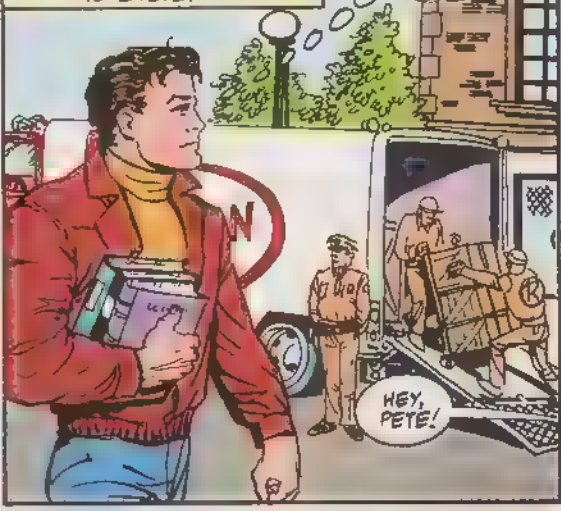
AND THIS PLANET WILL AT LAST BOW DOWN TO ITS PROPER RULER!



ULTRON-13!

MORNING; GRAD STUDENT PETER PARKER RETURNS TO E.S.U.

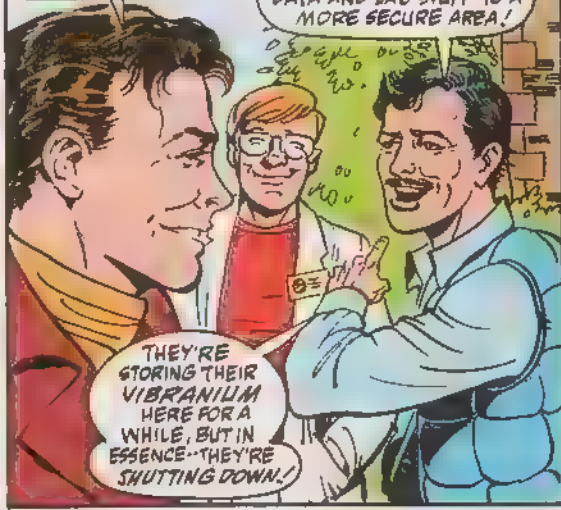
ROXXON'S PACKING UP? BUT, WHY?



HEY, PETE!

CHIP! ETHAN! WHAT'S UP?

OUR SPIRITS, PAL! ROXXON'S SHIPPING THEIR DATA AND LAB STUFF TO A MORE SECURE AREA!

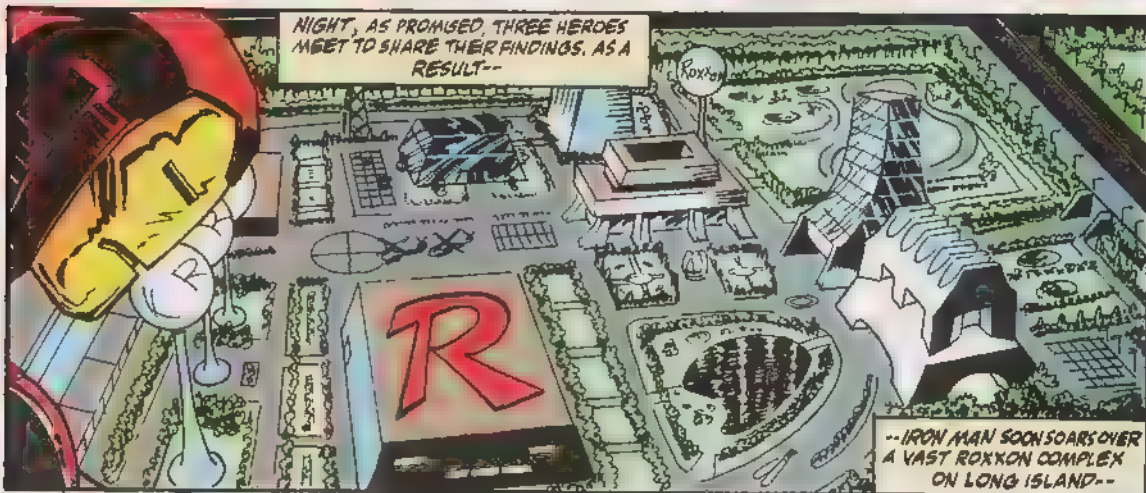


THEY'RE STORING THEIR VIBRANIUM HERE FOR A WHILE, BUT IN ESSENCE...THEY'RE SHUTTING DOWN!

MAYBE NOW SOME ATTENTION WILL BE PAID TO OUR EXPERIMENTS IN ACCELERATING PLANT GROWTH!

YEAH! GOTTA GO, PETE! OUR LEAFY FRIENDS BECKON!

AND I'VE A LITTLE RESEARCH OF MY OWN TO DO!



NIGHT, AS PROMISED, THREE HEROES MEET TO SHARE THEIR FINDINGS, AS A RESULT--

--IRON MAN SOON SOARS OVER A VAST ROXYON COMPLEX ON LONG ISLAND--

-- WHILE HIS TWO PARTNERS "FLY" A BIT LOWER!

SPEAKING OF WHICH AT A NEARBY OFFICE...

THAT'S RIGHT, MR. HALE, I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SAFETY OF--

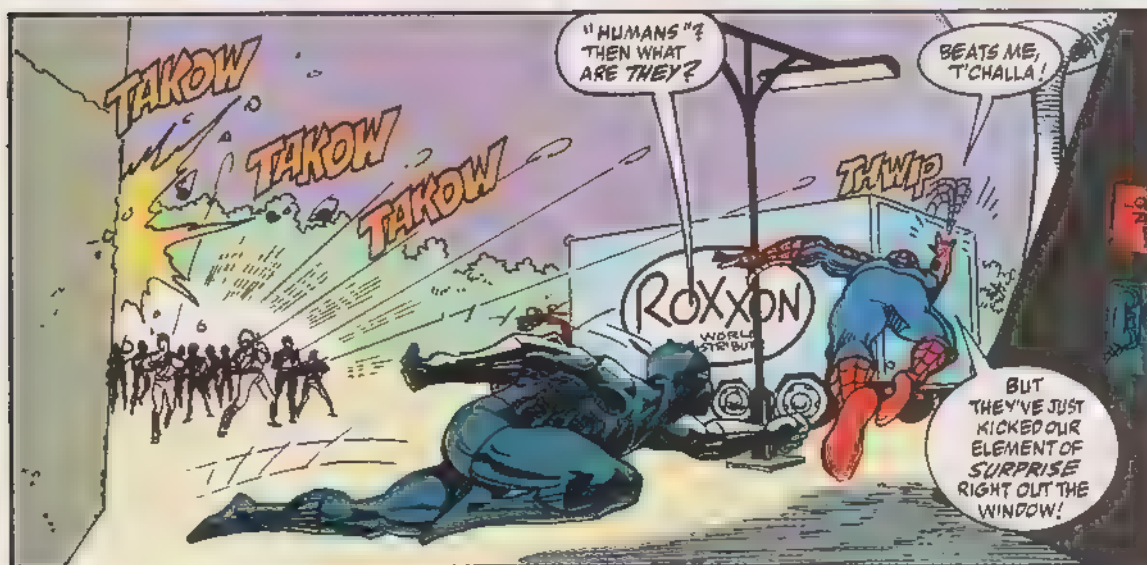
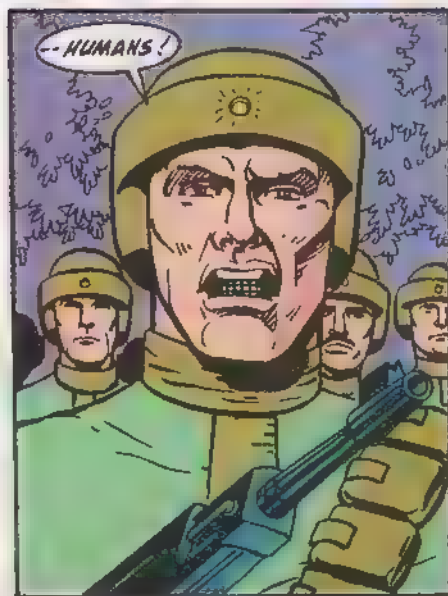
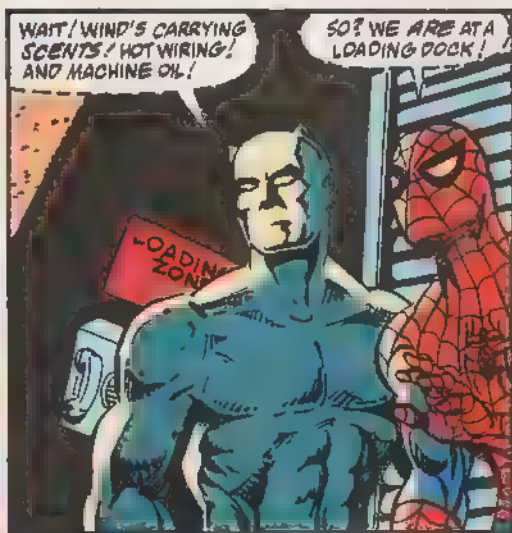
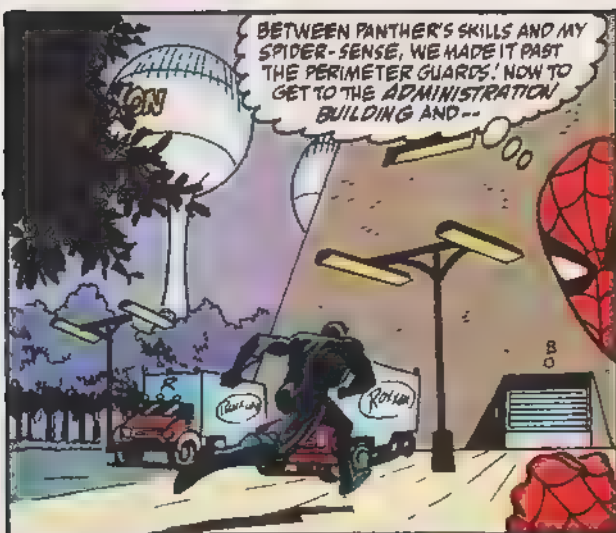
VERY CONSCIENTIOUS, DEARBORN!

ACCORDING TO MY CONTACTS AT THE DAILY BUGLE, THIS IS WHERE ROXYON BROUGHT THE DATA FROM THEIR CAMPUS LABS!

JUST HOPE WE CAN GET IN, FIND WHAT WE WANT, AND GET BACK OUT WITHOUT ANY TROUBLE!

WHY DON'T YOU SEND A MEMO TO MY OFFICE? WE'LL TALK.

YES... SIR.

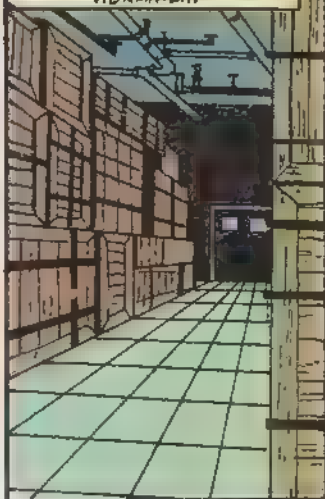


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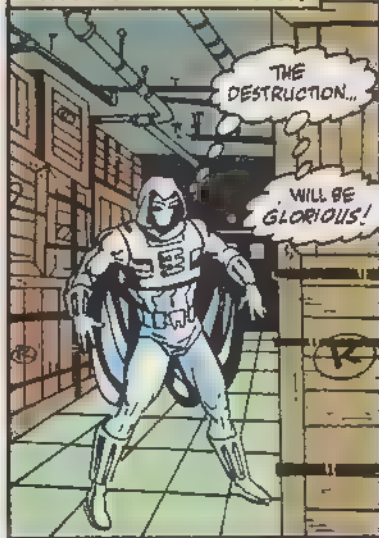


WATCHPOST SEVEN. ALL CLEAR.

-- IN A BASEMENT STACKED HIGH WITH CRATES OF ARTIFICIAL VIBRANIUM --



-- SURPRISE STILL HAS ITS PLACE!



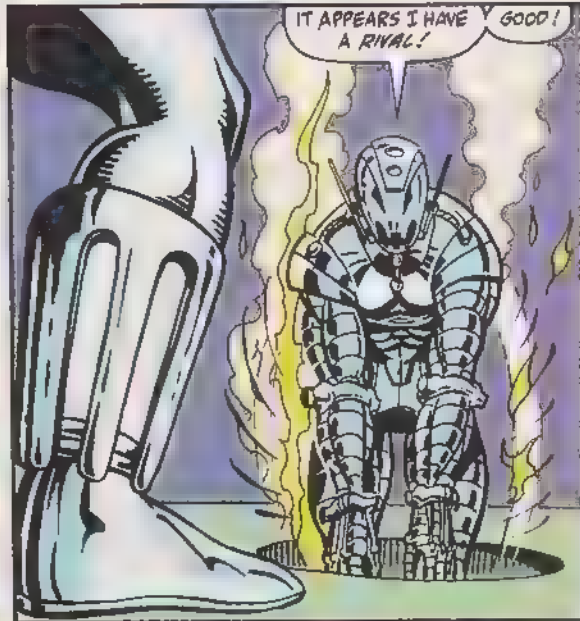
THE DESTRUCTION... WILL BE GLORIOUS!

FIRST, A SMALL SAMPLE TO SATISFY THE GREED OF MY "EMPLOYER", AND THEN-- EH?



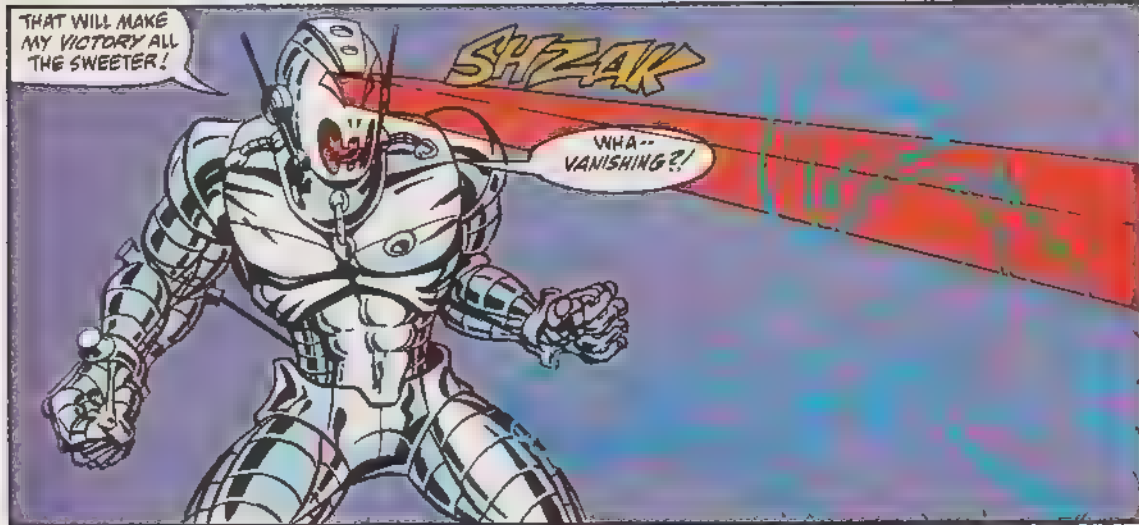
PACSSSSSS

IT APPEARS I HAVE A RIVAL!



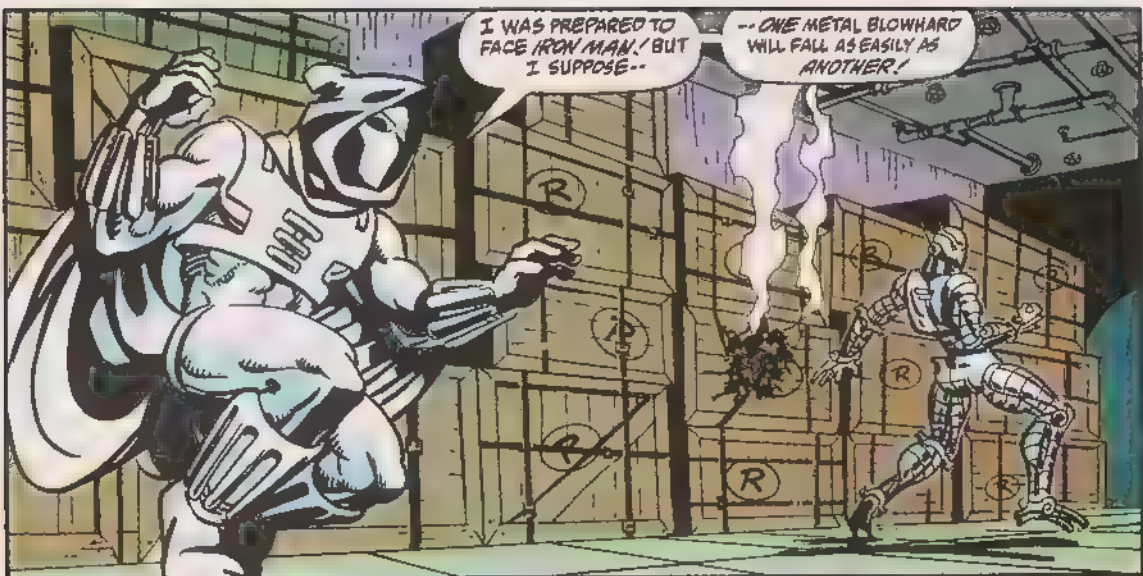
GOOD!

THAT WILL MAKE MY VICTORY ALL THE SWEETER!



WHA-- VANISHING?!

SHZAK



I WAS PREPARED TO
FACE IRON MAN, BUT
I SUPPOSE--

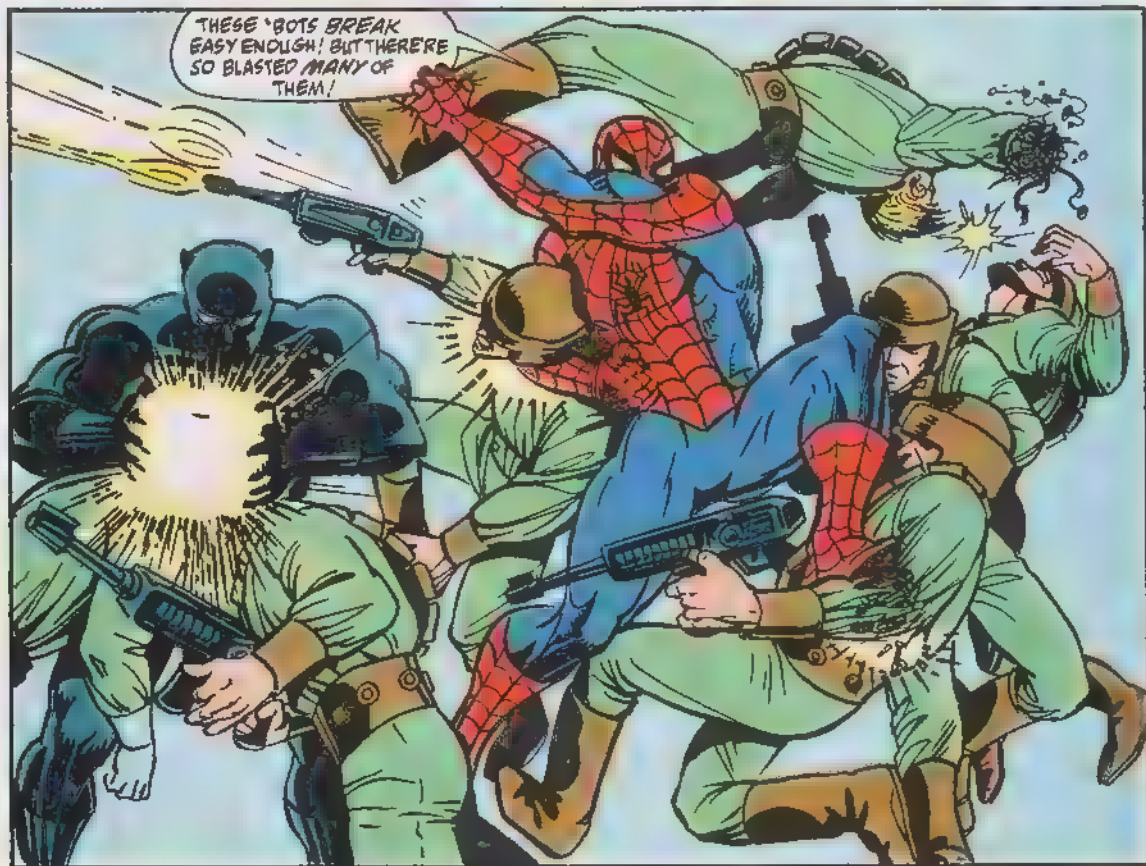
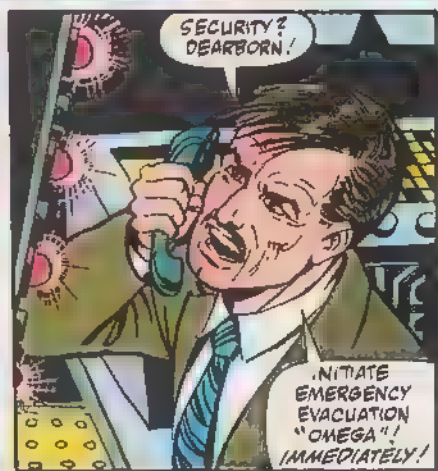
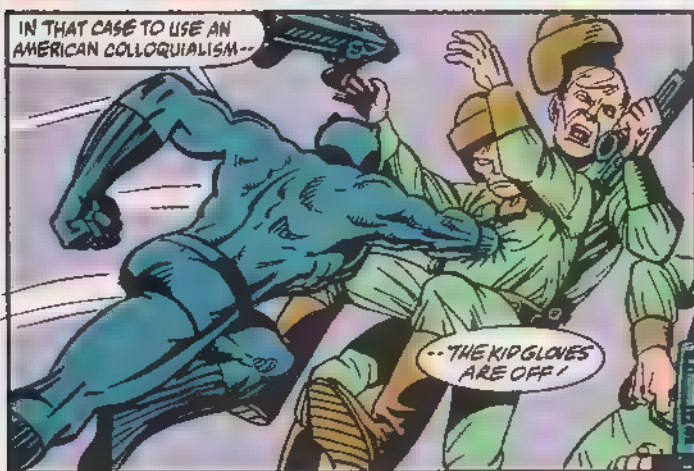
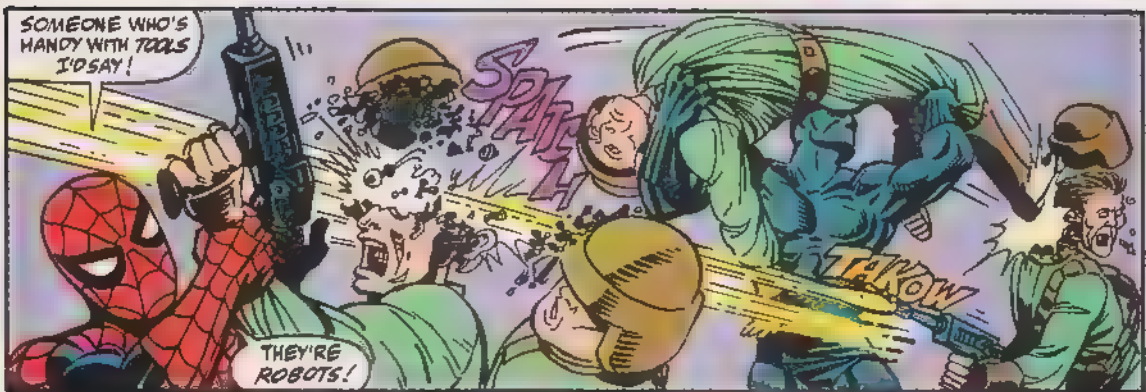
-- ONE METAL BLOWHARD
WILL FALL AS EASILY AS
ANOTHER!

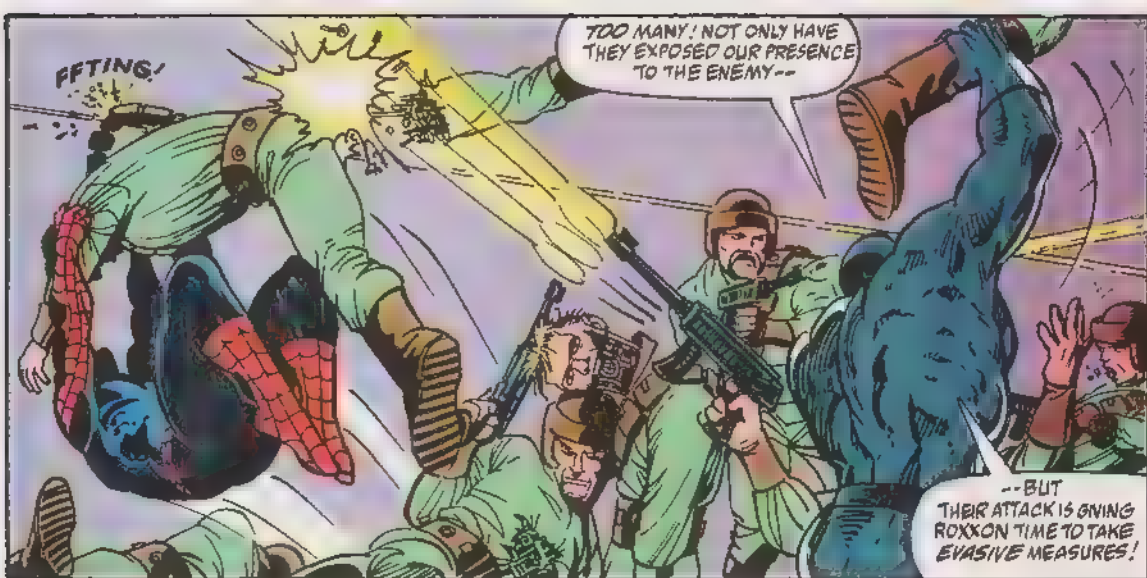


THESE GUYS CAME FROM THE
WOODS AFTER US! DON'T BELONG
HERE ANY MORE THAN WE DO!

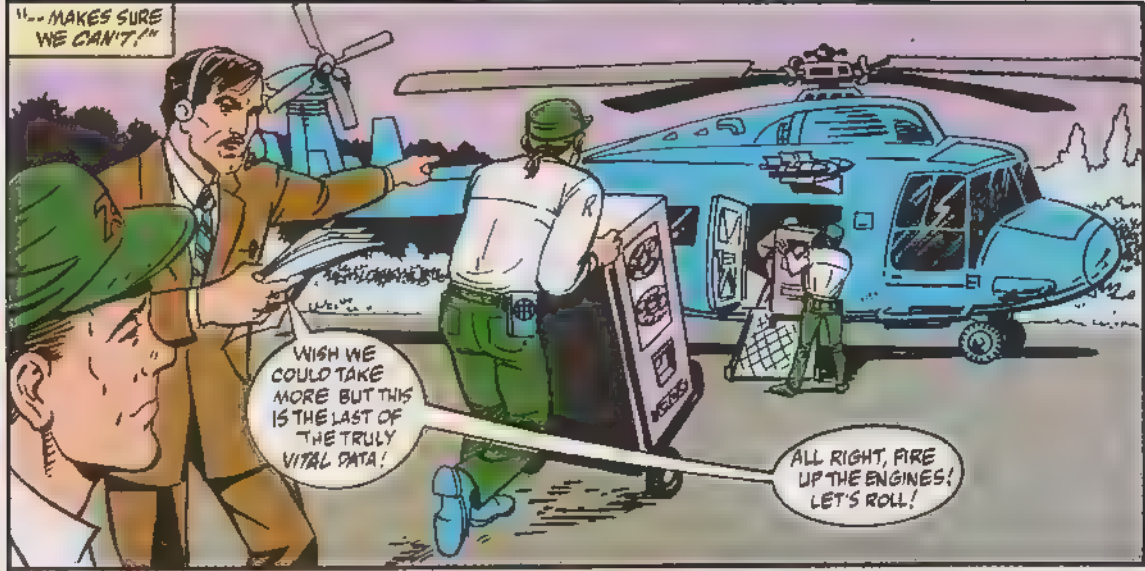
THEY COULD BE AFTER THE
SAME PRIZE WE SEEK!

BUT, WHO
SENT
THEM?





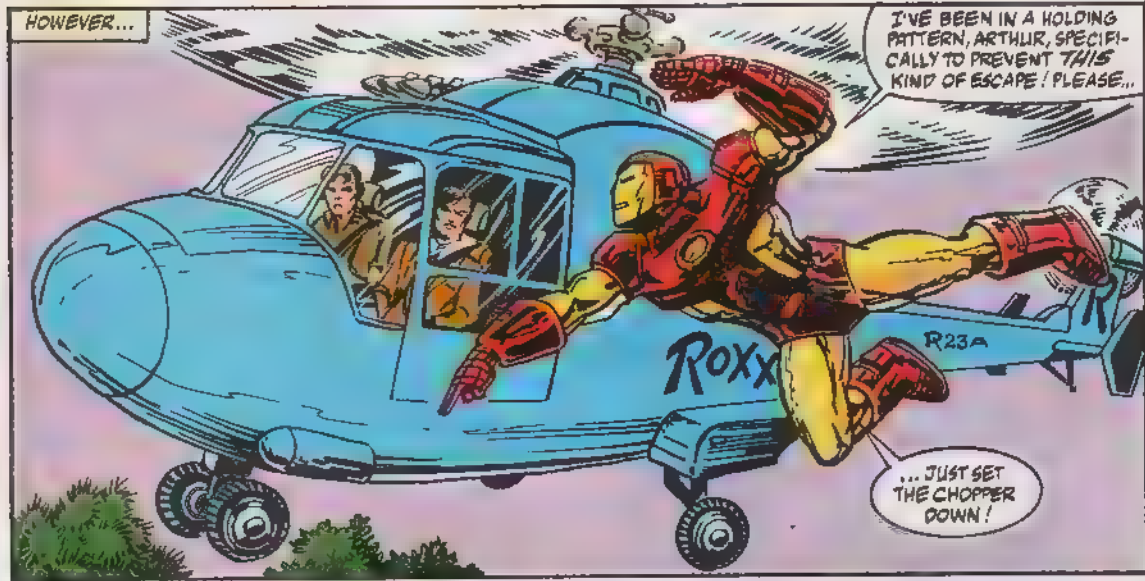
"... MAKES SURE WE CAN'T!"



WISH WE COULD TAKE MORE BUT THIS IS THE LAST OF THE TRULY VITAL DATA!

ALL RIGHT, FIRE UP THE ENGINES! LET'S ROLL!

HOWEVER...



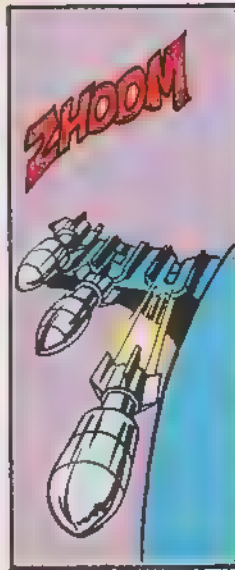
I'VE BEEN IN A HOLDING PATTERN, ARTHUR, SPECIFICALLY TO PREVENT THIS KIND OF ESCAPE! PLEASE...

... JUST SET THE CHOPPER DOWN!

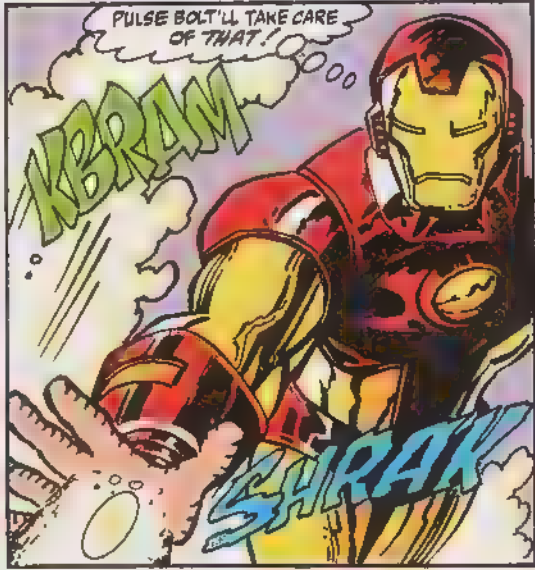


SIR?

YOU KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO.



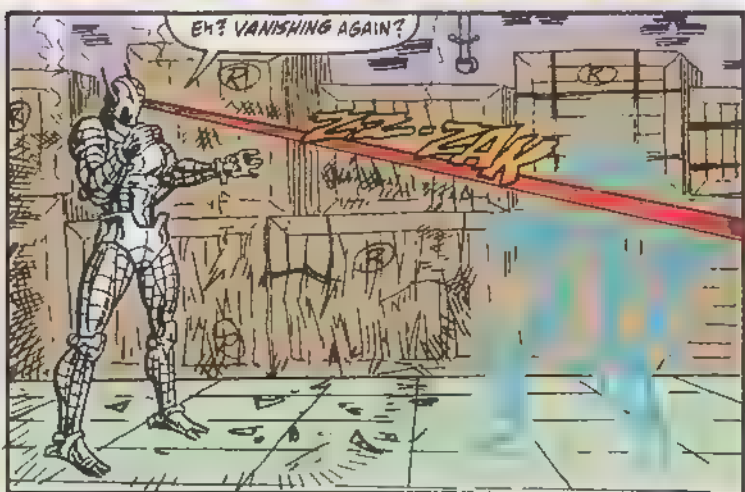
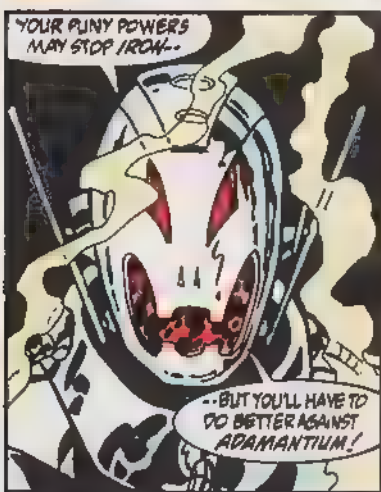
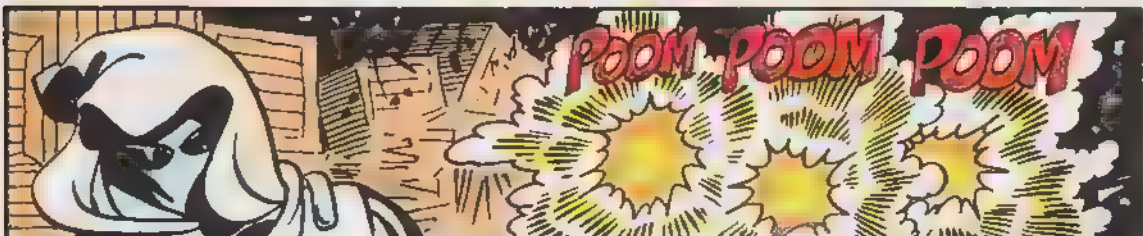
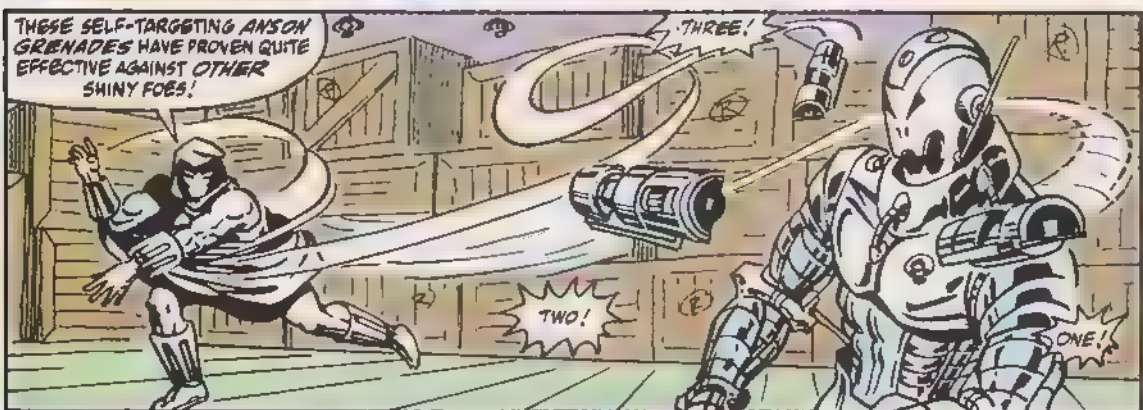
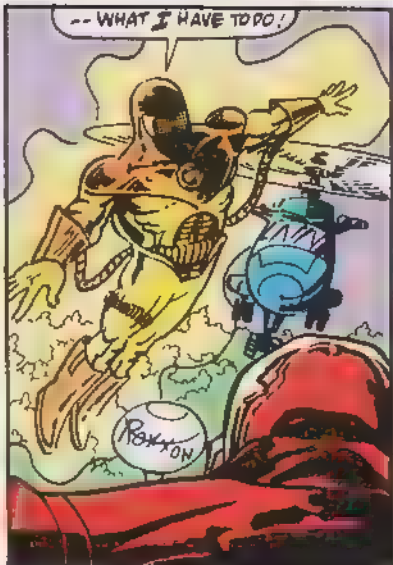
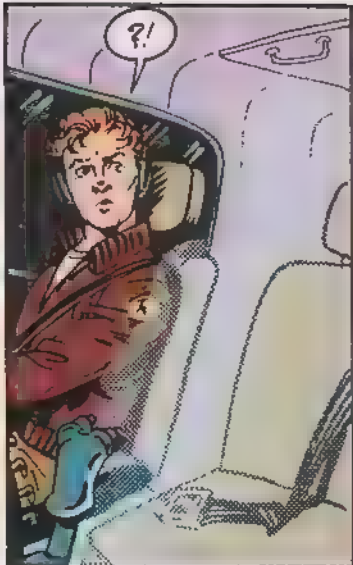
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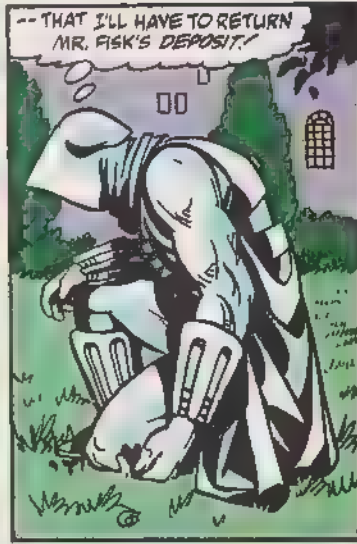
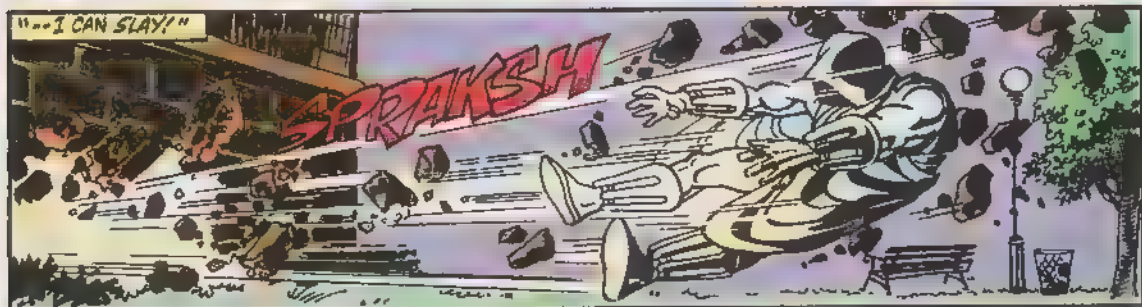
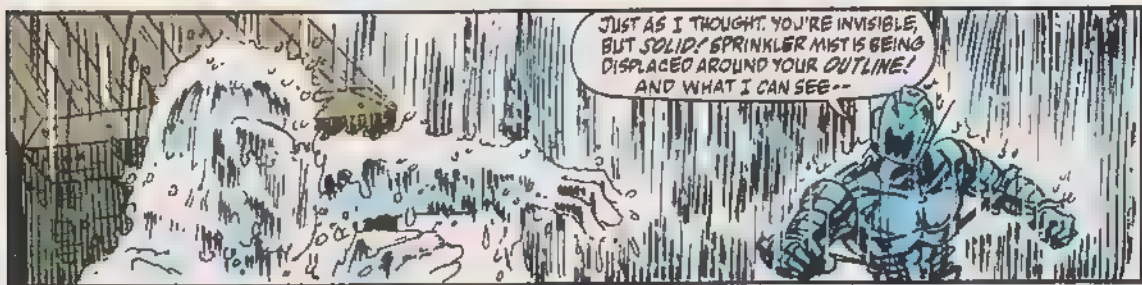
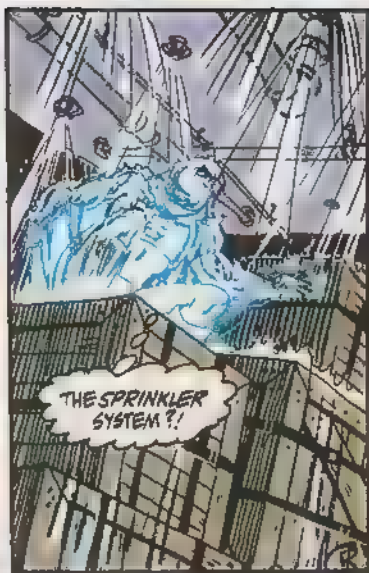
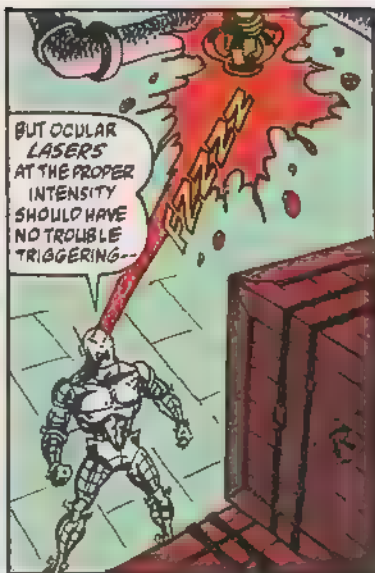
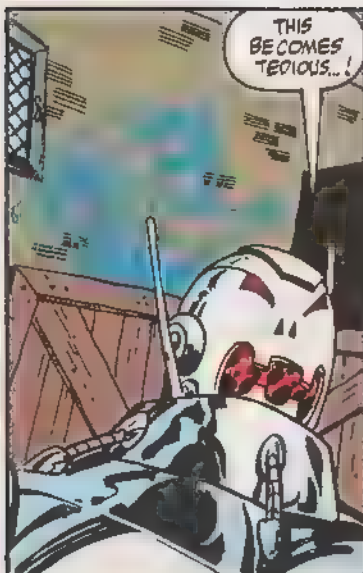


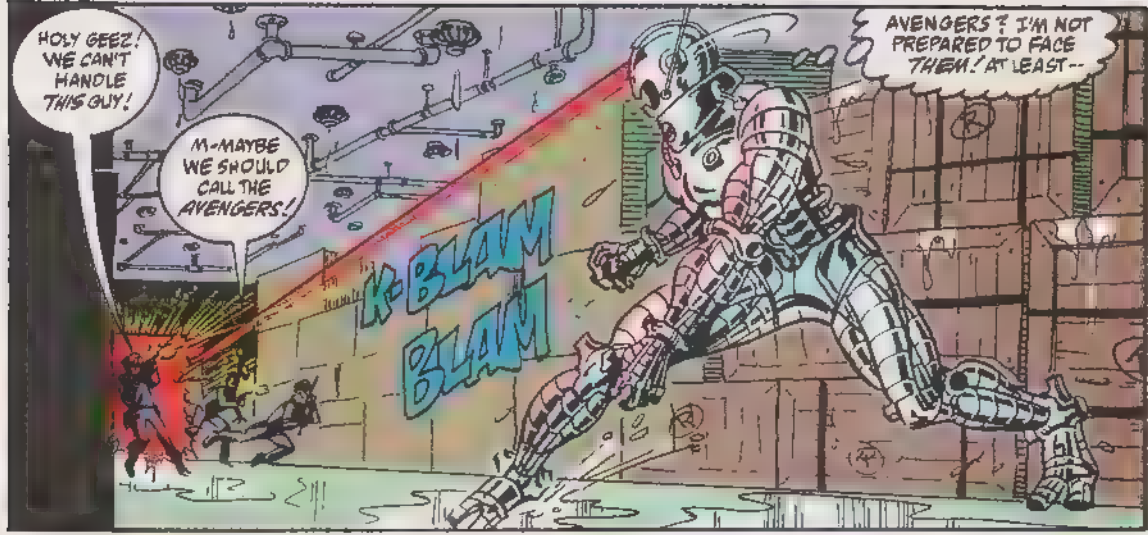
PULSE BOLT'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT!

KBRAM

SHRAK





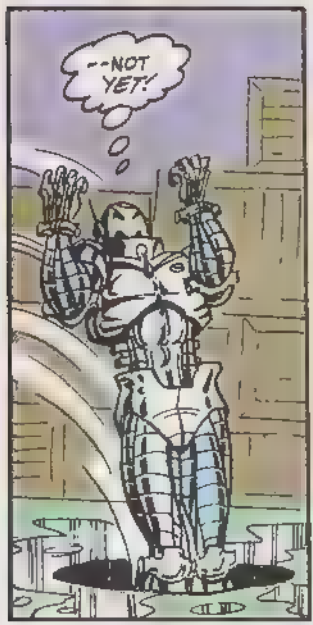


HOLY GEEZ!
WE CAN'T
HANDLE
THIS GUY!

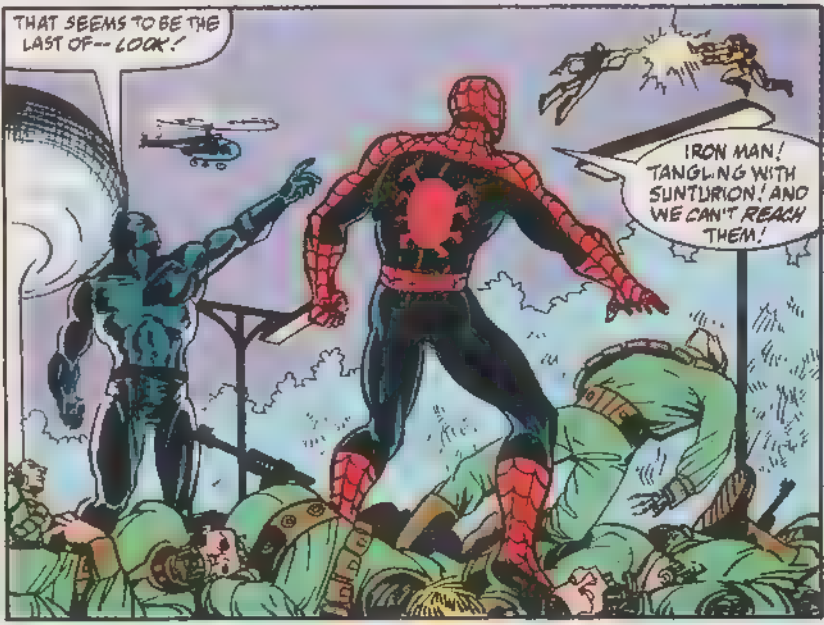
M-MAYBE
WE SHOULD
CALL THE
AVENGERS!

AVENGERS? I'M NOT
PREPARED TO FACE
THEM! AT LEAST--

K-BLAM
BLAM

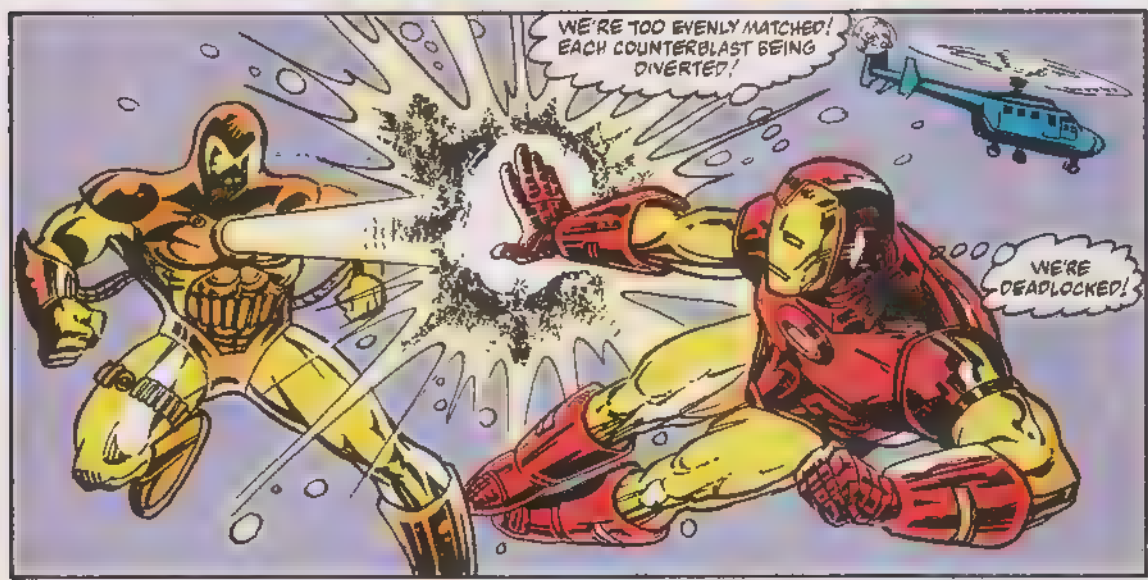


--NOT
YET!



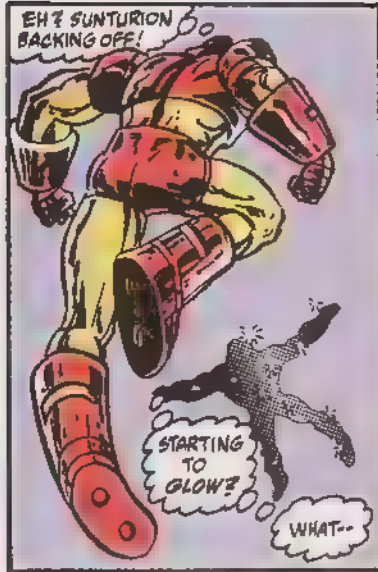
THAT SEEMS TO BE THE
LAST OF-- LOOK!

IRON MAN!
TANGLING WITH
SUNTURION! AND
WE CAN'T REACH
THEM!



WE'RE TOO EVENLY MATCHED!
EACH COUNTERBLAST BEING
DIVERTED!

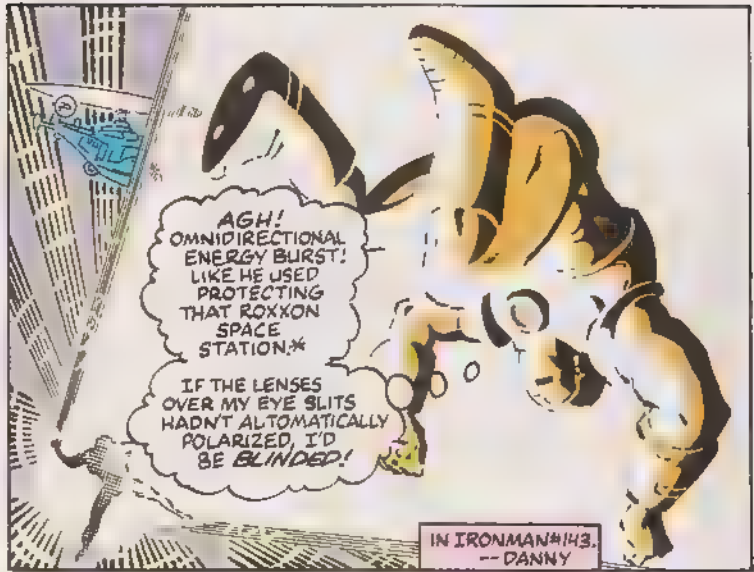
WE'RE
DEADLOCKED!



EH? SUNTURION
BACKING OFF!

STARTING
TO
GLOW?

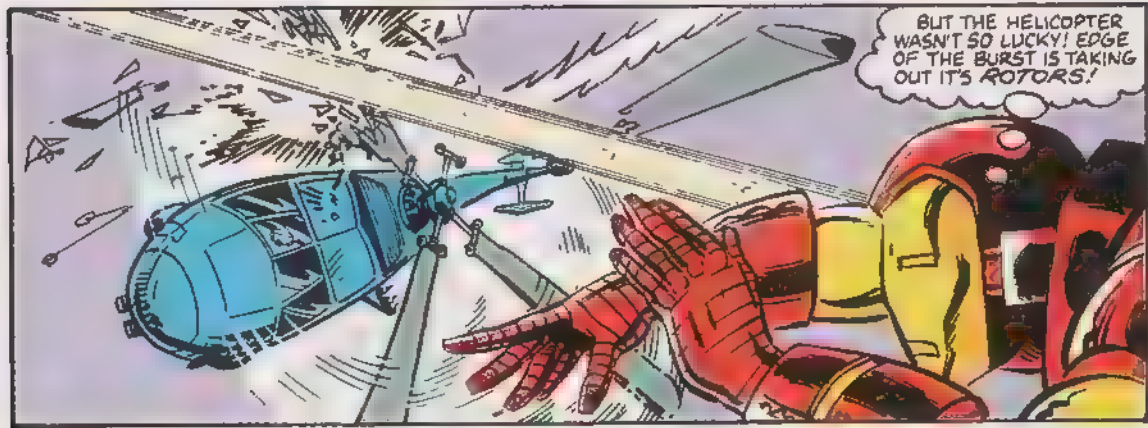
WHAT--



AGH!
OMNIDIRECTIONAL
ENERGY BURST!
LIKE HE USED
PROTECTING
THAT ROXXON
SPACE
STATION.*

IF THE LENSES
OVER MY EYE SLITS
HADN'T AUTOMATICALLY
POLARIZED, I'D
BE BLINDED!

IN IRONMAN#143.
-- DANNY



BUT THE HELICOPTER
WASN'T SO LUCKY! EDGE
OF THE BURST IS TAKING
OUT IT'S ROTORS!

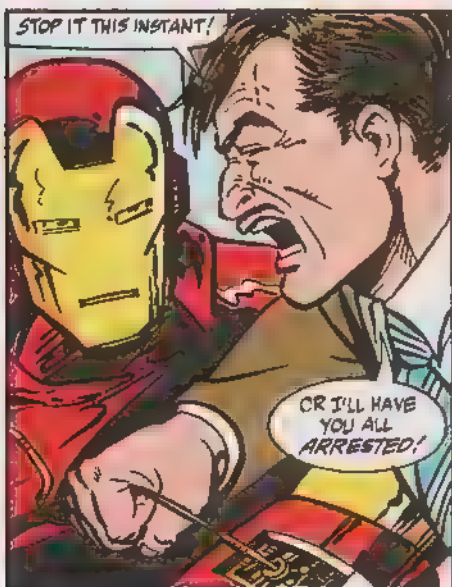
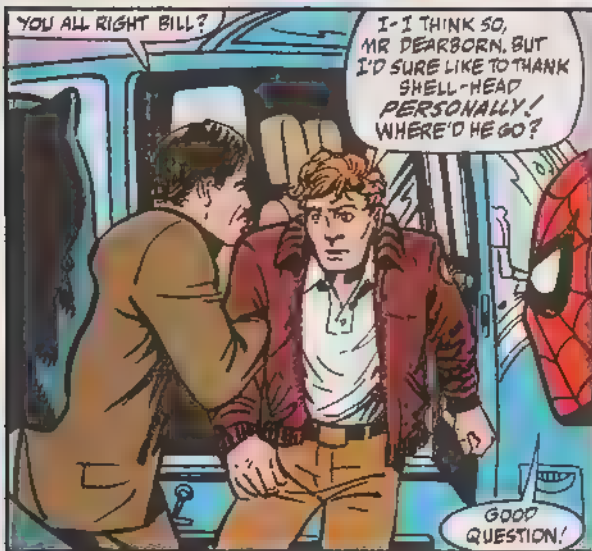
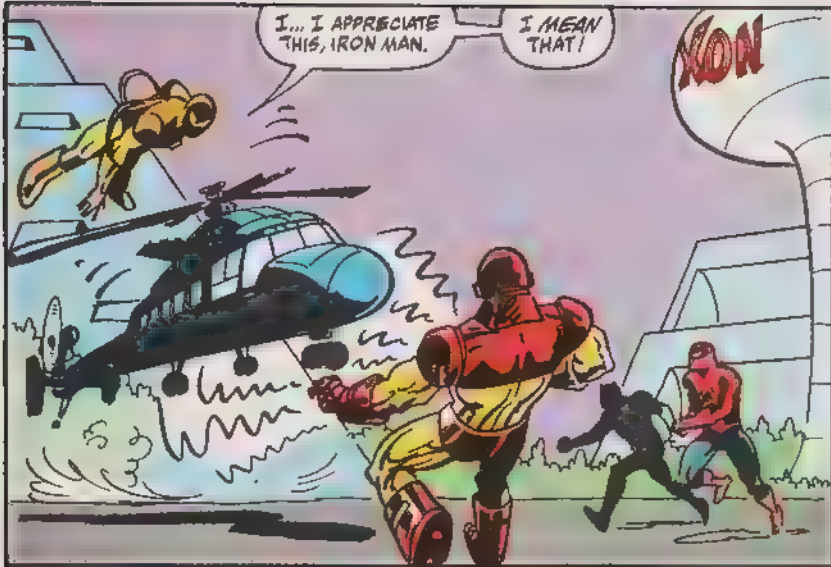


OH, LORD! I-I DIDN'T
MEAN TO--! MY POWERS!
N-NOT GEARED FOR
RESCUE!

IRON
MAN--!



DON'T WORRY,
DEARBORN!
MAGNETIC FORCE
FROM MY UN-BEAM
WILL LET ME SET
YOUR CO-WORKERS
DOWN WITHOUT
HARM!



-- HE'S AN AVENGER, AND WE'RE RESERVE AVENGERS! WE'LL JUST SAY WE WERE TRYING TO SAVE YOUR INNOCENT EMPLOYEES FROM THOSE KILLER ANDROIDS!

OH, JUST...
JUST...
..LEAVE!

ARTHUR'S A FRIEND-- OF SORTS. I WISH WE WEREN'T ON OPPOSITE SIDES.

THERE COULD BE MORE SIDES THAN WE SUSPECT! AFTER ALL, SOMEONE SENT THOSE ANDROIDS!

SPEAKING OF THE DEVIL....!

MY ARMY HAS CEASED TRANSMITTING FROM LONG ISLAND! AND SECURITY IS BEING INCREASED AT THE UNIVERSITY! THIS MAYBE MORE DIFFICULT THAN I ANTICIPATED.

THEN PERHAPS WE MIGHT HELP EACH OTHER!

WHO--?

I-- I'M PEMBROKE.
I REPRESENT THE KINSPIN.

THE GHOST REPORTED TO US BOTH YOUR WHEREABOUTS AND YOUR GOAL. YOU WANT THE ARTIFICIAL VIBRANIUM--WHILE MY EMPLOYER MERELY WANTS THE SECRETS OF ITS COMMERCIAL POTENTIAL!

YOU FAILED; OUR MAN FAILED. BUT IF WE WORK TOGETHER, WE MIGHT EACH GET WHAT WE WANT!

IT DISGUSTS ME, COLLABORATING WITH... HUMANS. BUT VITAL ENDS SOMETIMES REQUIRE UNPLEASANT MEANS.

THEY DON'T TRUST EACH OTHER.

BUT THEY DO NEED EACH OTHER.

FOR NOW...!

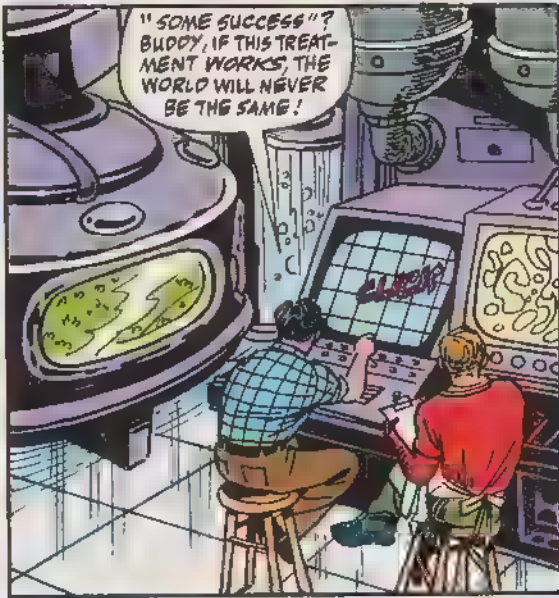
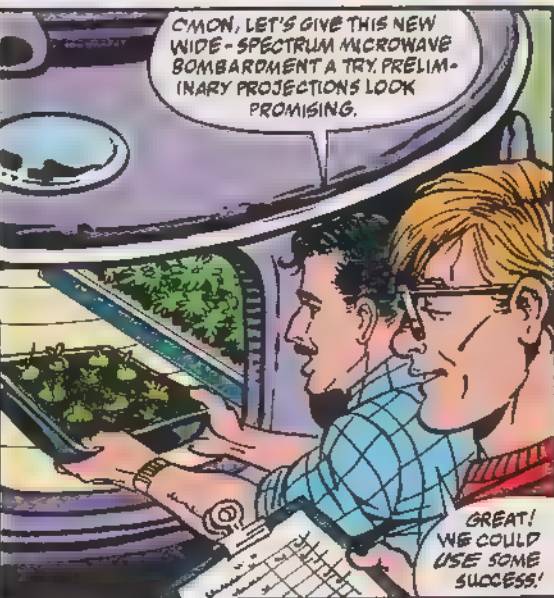
EPILOGUE: THE NEXT MORNING, EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY...

MAN, LOOK AT THE PHYSICS BUILDING! THEY'VE GOT MORE COPS OVER THERE THAN THE LOCAL DONUT SHOP!

GOOD!

MAYBE ALL THE HASSLE WILL GET ROXXON BOOTED OFF CAMPUS!

AND OUR AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTS CAN GET FUNDING FOR A CHANGE!



WHILE IN THE BASEMENT OF THE NEARBY PHYSICS BUILDING, CRATES OF SYNTHETIC VIBRANIUM... CHANGE.

NAILS AND METAL BANDS SOFTEN, STARTING TO RUN.

AND THE WORDS OF AN EAGER YOUNG SCIENTIST BEGIN TO TAKE ON A WHOLE NEW MEANING:

"...THE WORLD WILL NEVER BE THE SAME!"

TO BE MIND-MELTINGLY CONCLUDED IN WEB OF SPIDER-MAN ANNUAL #7! ON SALE IN TWO WEEKS!

Stan Lee presents

THE OUTLAWS

OUTLAW JUSTICE

PART

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DAVID
MICHELME
writer

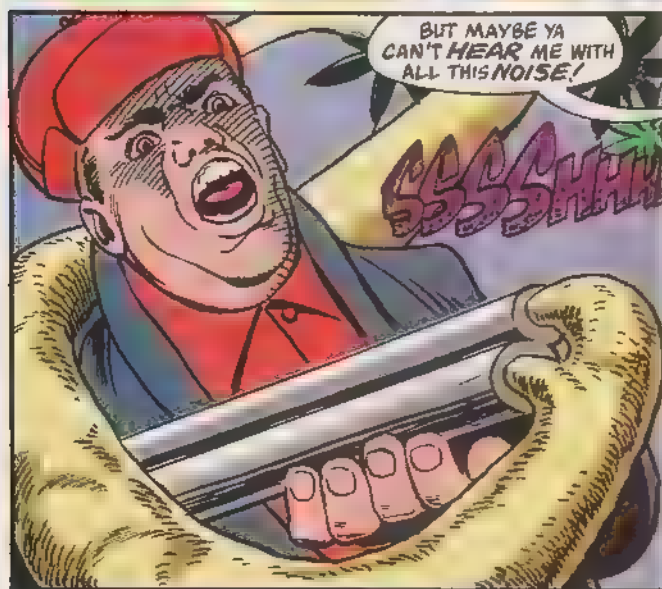
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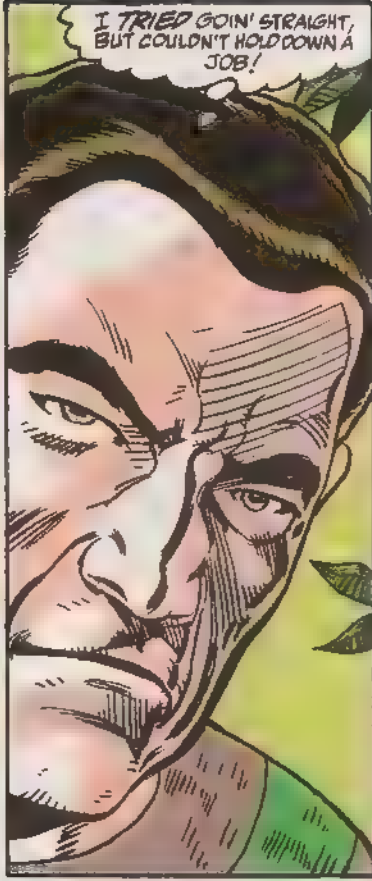


THAT WAS EASY! IT'S WHAT I'M
GOOD AT! YEAH...

...JUST
ABOUT THE
ONLY
THING!



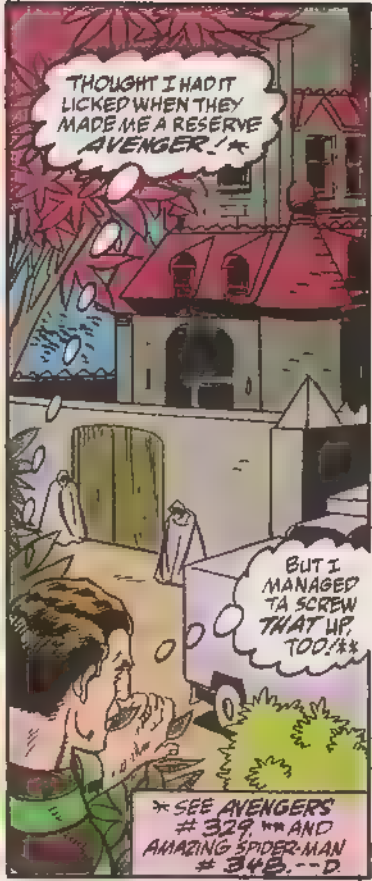
I TRIED GOIN' STRAIGHT,
BUT COULDN'T HOLD DOWN A
JOB!



THOUGHT I HAD IT
LICKED WHEN THEY
MADE ME A RESERVE
AVENGER! *

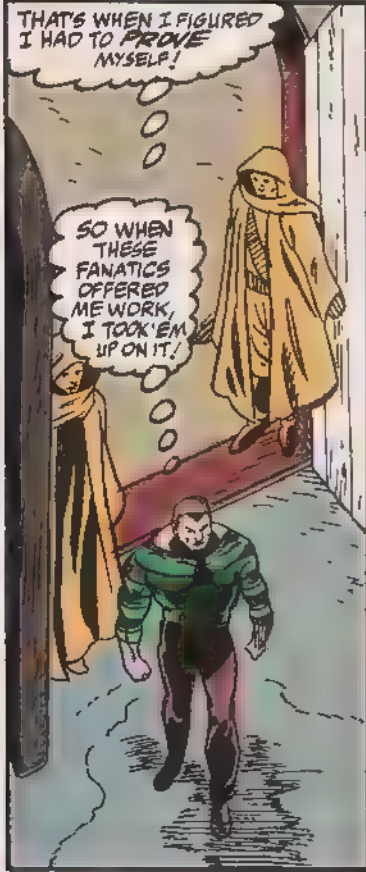
BUT I
MANAGED
TA SCREW
THAT UP,
TOO! **

* SEE AVENGERS
329, ** AND
AMAZING SPIDER-MAN
348. ---D



THAT'S WHEN I FIGURED
I HAD TO PROVE
MYSELF!

SO WHEN
THESE
FANATICS
OFFERED
ME WORK,
I TOOK 'EM
UP ON IT!

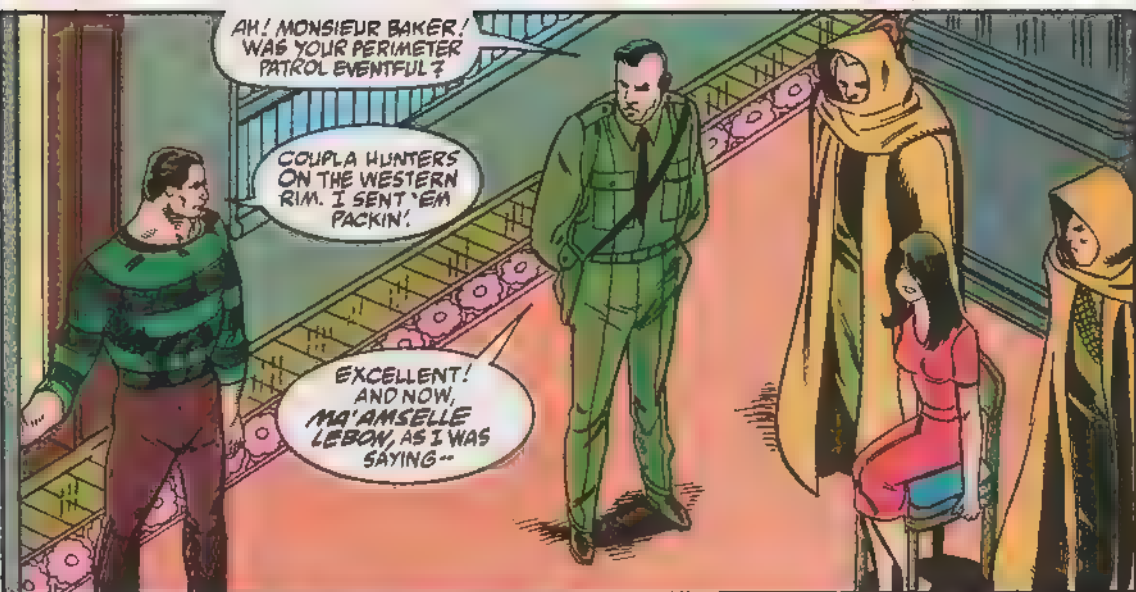


WHEN I FREE THAT HOSTAGE
AN' SHUT DOWN BOUSSARD'S
OPERATION--



-- THE
AVENGERS'LL
HAVE TA
TAKE ME
BACK!





AH! MONSIEUR BAKER!
WAS YOUR PERIMETER
PATROL EVENTFUL?

COUPLA HUNTERS
ON THE WESTERN
RIM. I SENT 'EM
PACKIN'.

EXCELLENT!
AND NOW,
MA'AMSELLE
LEBON, AS I WAS
SAYING--



--ARE YOU
COMFORTABLE?

MY
SOLDIERS
HAVE
TREATED
YOU WITH
RESPECT?



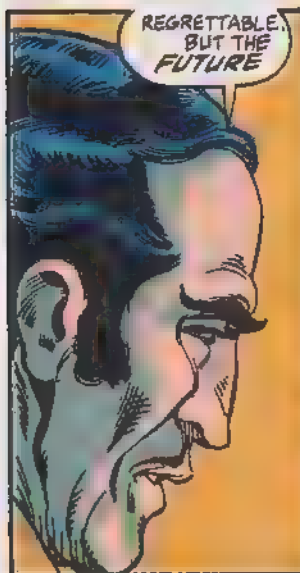
I... I
WANT TO GO
HOME!



OF COURSE, AS SOON AS
YOUR FATHER RESIGNS
HIS POST IN PARLIAMENT--



B-BUT, WHY ME?
I HAVE NOTHING TO
DO WITH POLITICS!

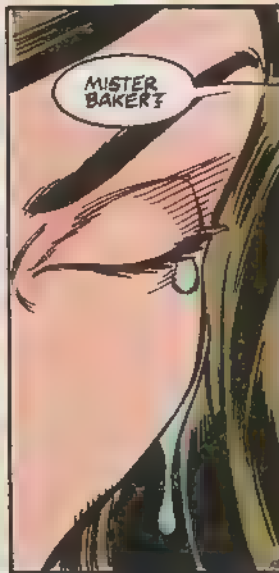


REGRETTABLE,
BUT THE
FUTURE



IS THAT NOT SO,
MY FRIEND?

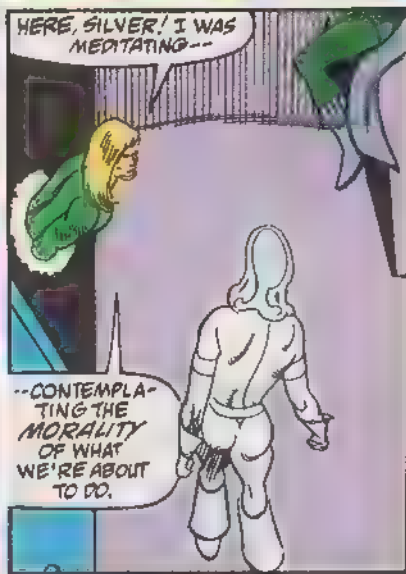
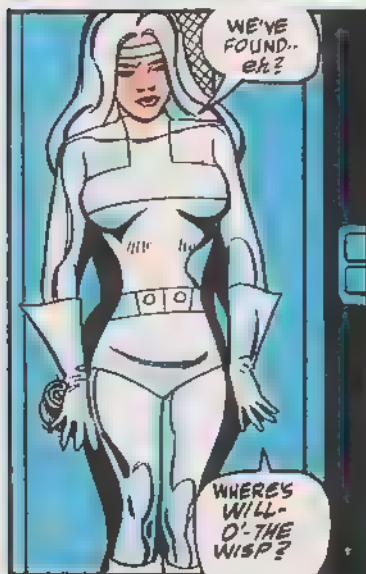
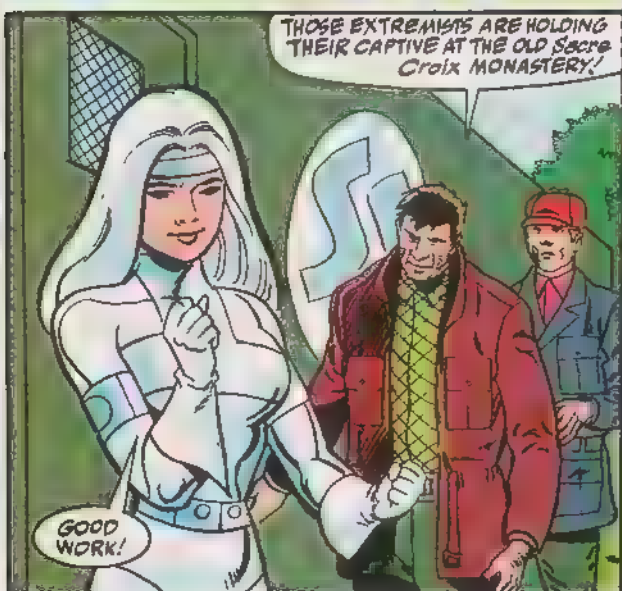
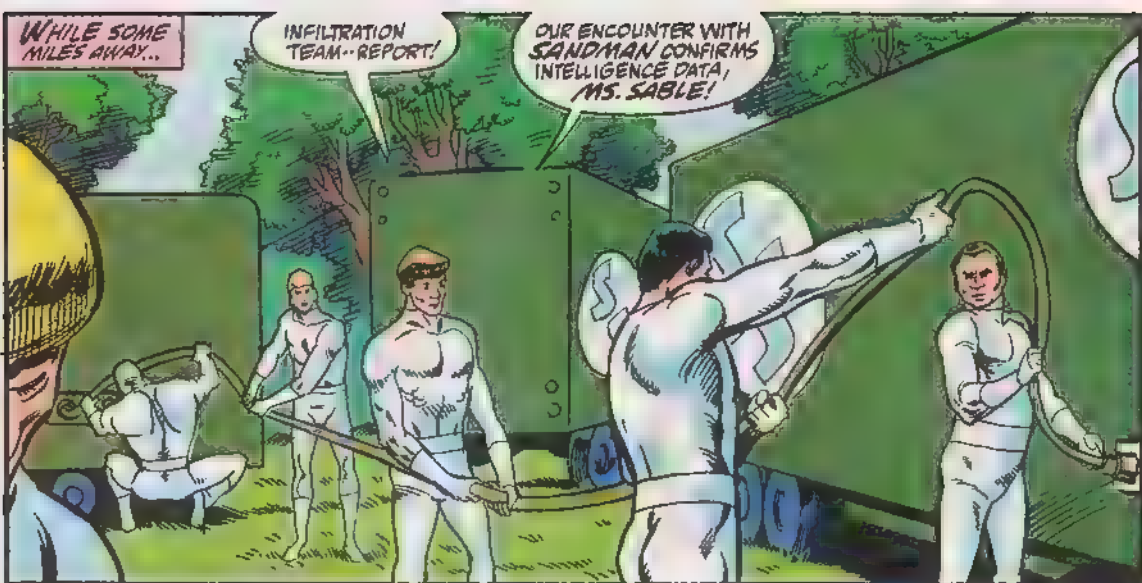
EH?



MISTER
BAKER?



WHATEVER
YA SAY,
BOSS.



THAT GUYS DOWNRIGHT SPOOKY!

HOPE WE CAN COUNT ON HIM WHEN THE CHIPS ARE DOWN!

NO SWEAT! HE BLUFFS OUT--

-- WE GET MORE OF THE ACTION!

WAP WAP

YOU REALLY LIKE THIS SORT OF THING, DON'T YOU?

WHAT'S NOT TO LIKE? PAYS GOOD, FACE IS FAST--

-- AND WE GET TO WEAR THESE OUTRAGEOUS OUTFITS!

THAT MAY BE FINE FOR YOU, BUT I'M A MARRIED MAN.

MY WIFE AIN'T THRILLED ABOUT ME BEIN' HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE! SHE FINDS OUT I'M GOIN' AGAINST THE SANDMAN--

-- SHE MIGHT KILL ME HERSELF!

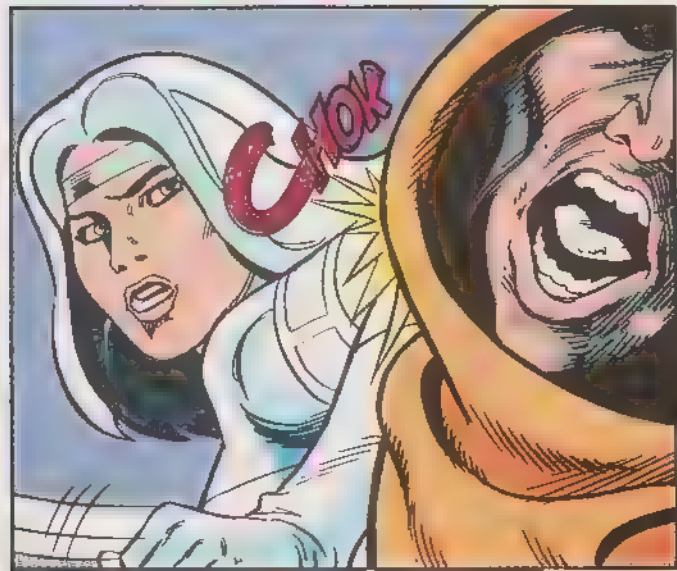
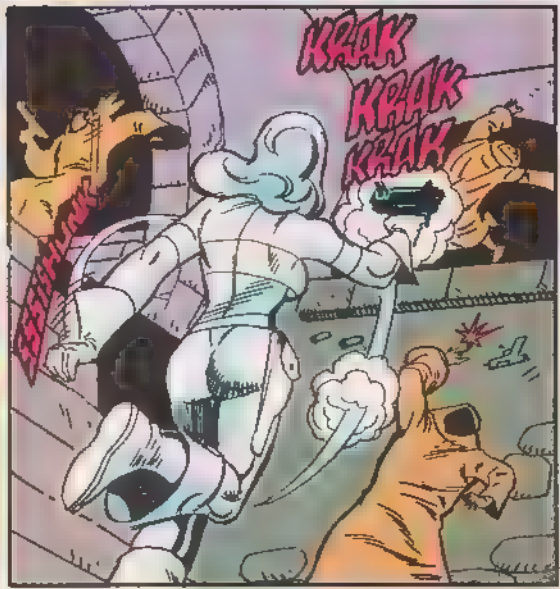
NEVERTHELESS, A SHORT WHILE LATER AT SACRE CROIX..

THANKS

YOU'RE WEL--

-- EH?

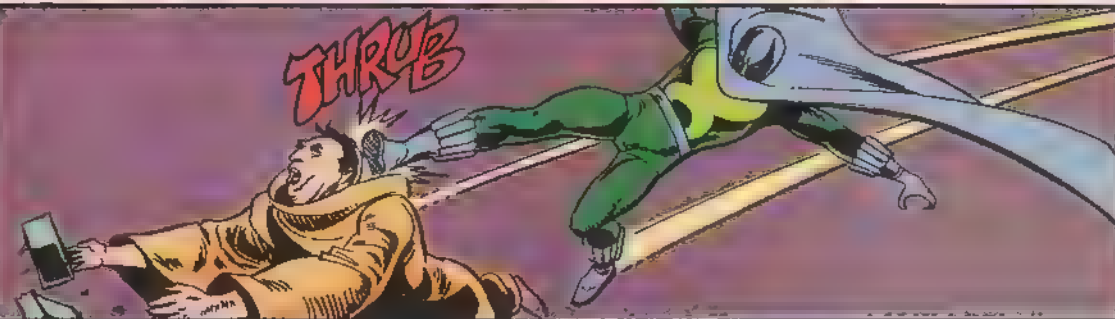
GRENADES!



--OOOWOOUUU!?

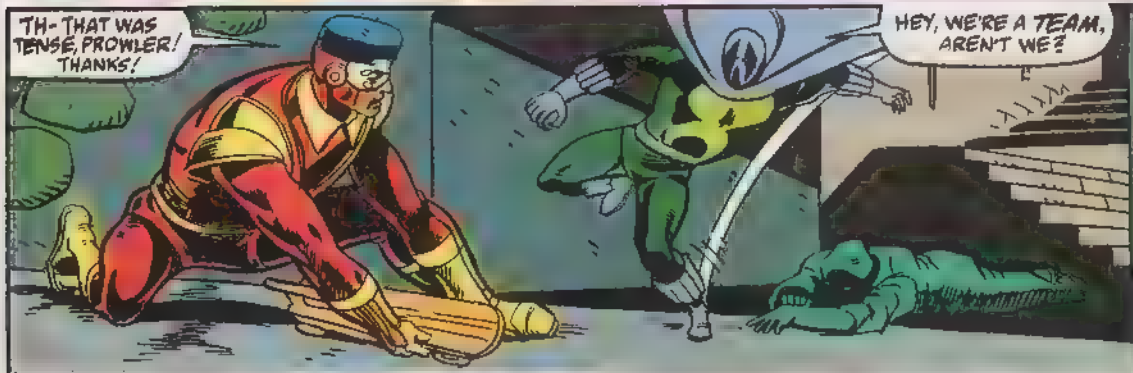
S-SOME KINDA
SONICS. 'M-MESSIN'
UP MY SENSE OF
BALANCE!

TO SAY NOTHIN' OF
HURTIN' LIKE A
SONOVA--



TH- THAT WAS
TENSE, PROWLER!
THANKS!

HEY, WE'RE A TEAM,
AREN'T WE?



YEAH! BUT UNFORTUNATELY--



TAKA TAKA KATOW

"--SO ARE THEY!"

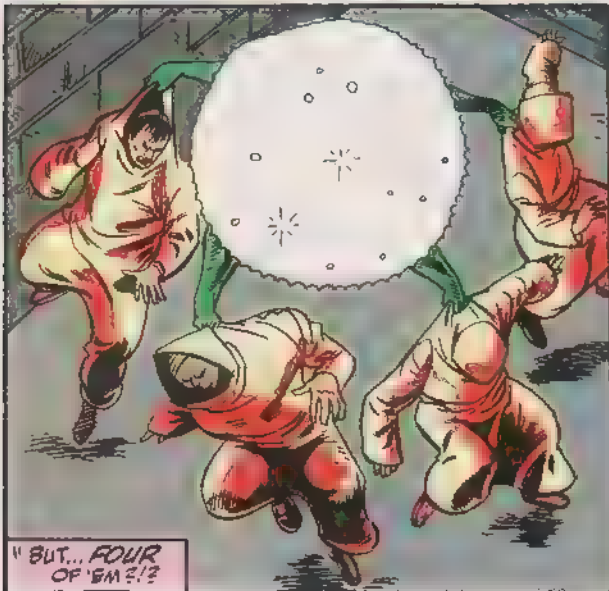


"LOOK! THAT BAIL O' LIGHT!"



"IT'S WILL!"

"AN HE'S SPROUTIN' ARMS!"



"BUT... FOUR OF 'EM?!"



KA-BLOW

HE'S NEVER DONE THAT BEFORE!

TOLD YOU THE DUDE WAS SPOOKY!

'LEAST HE TOOK OUT THE LAST GUARDS!

"--SANDMAN!"

SORRY IT'S GOTTA BE YOU GUYS, BUT THESE GUYS HIRED ME TA KEEP ANY-ONE FROM GETTIN' IN!

NOW ALL WE GOTTA WORRY ABOUT IS--

AN' SINCE HEADBREAKIN'S THE ONLY THING I SEEM TA BE ABLE TA DO IN THIS BLOODY WORLD, I'M GONNA DO IT RIGHT! SO...

...WHO'S FIRST?

AND WILL MY SECRET PLAN WORK?

TO BE CONTINUED IN WEB OF SPIDER-MAN ANNUAL # 7!

Stan Lee
PRESENTS:

THE RAMPAGING RHINO ONE TRACK MIND!

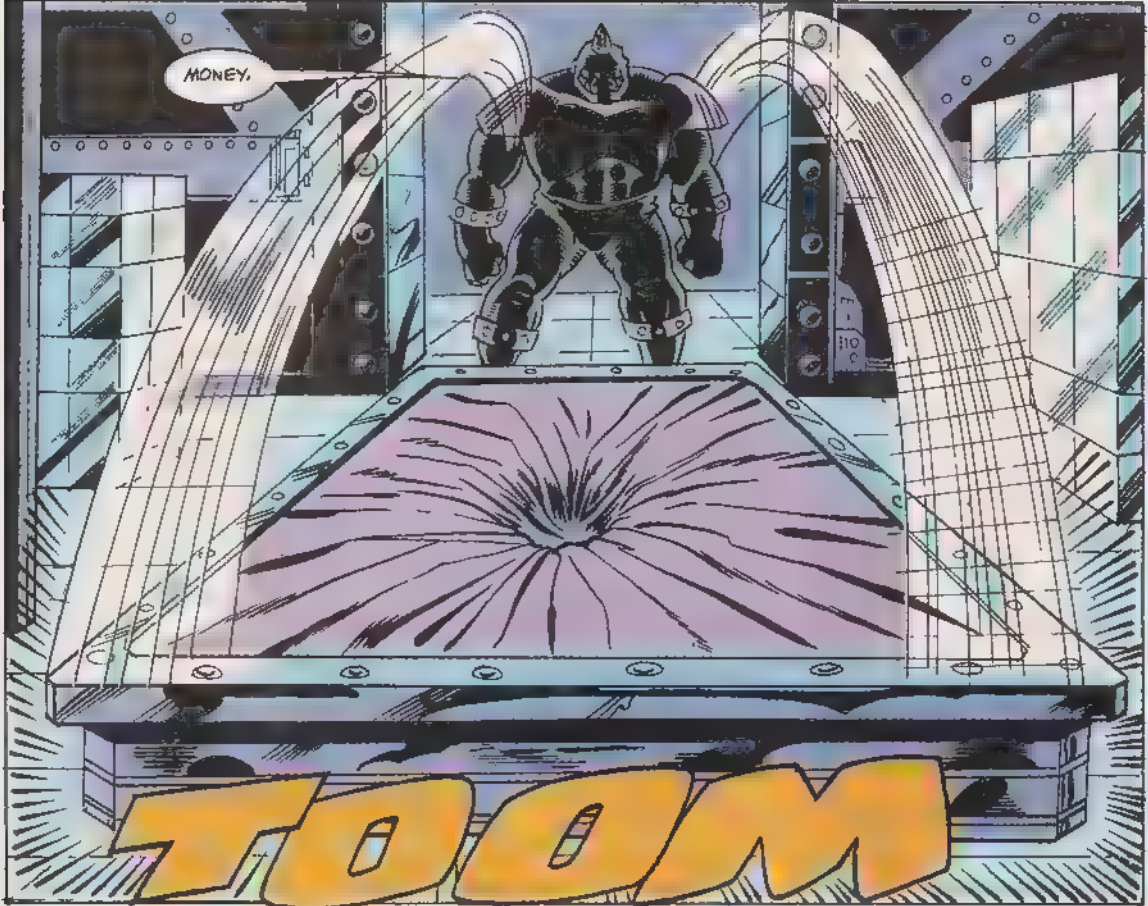
NIGHTTIME IN
NEW YORK CITY...

MONEY.

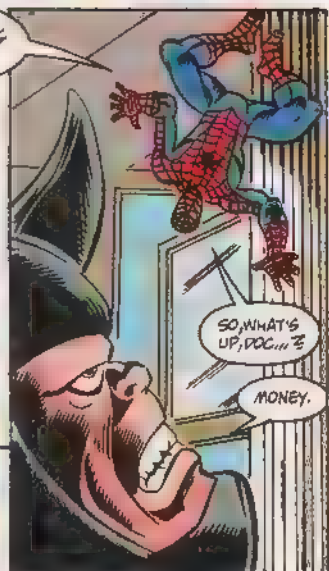
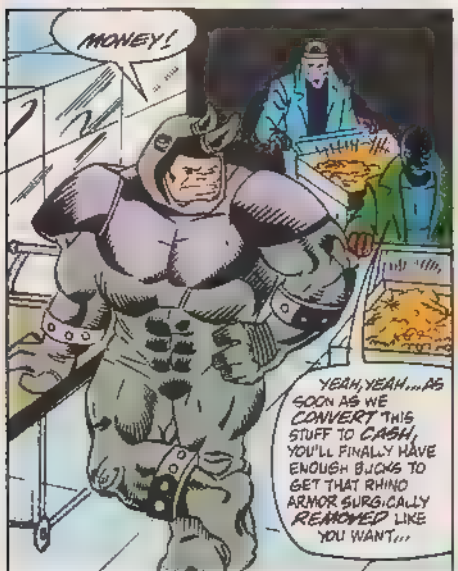
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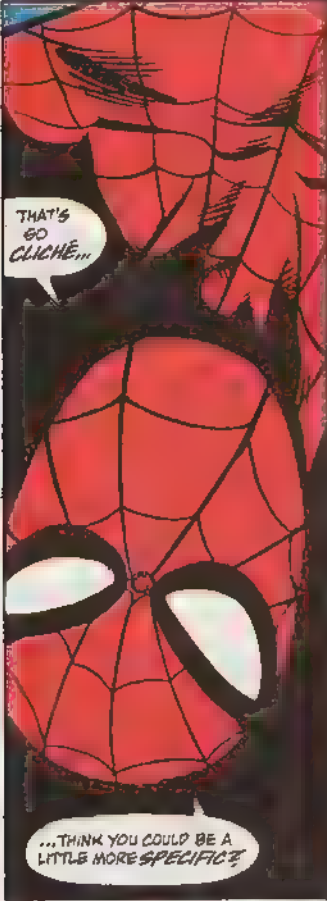
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LETTERS
KEVIN TINSLEY
COLORS
DANNY FINGEROTH
EDITOR
TOM DEFALCO
EDITOR IN CHIEF

NOTE: THIS STORY PRECEDES
THE DEADLY FOES OF
SPIDER-MAN LIMITED
SERIES. -- DANNY



TOOOM





THAT'S SO CLICHE'...

...THINK YOU COULD BE A LITTLE MORE SPECIFIC?

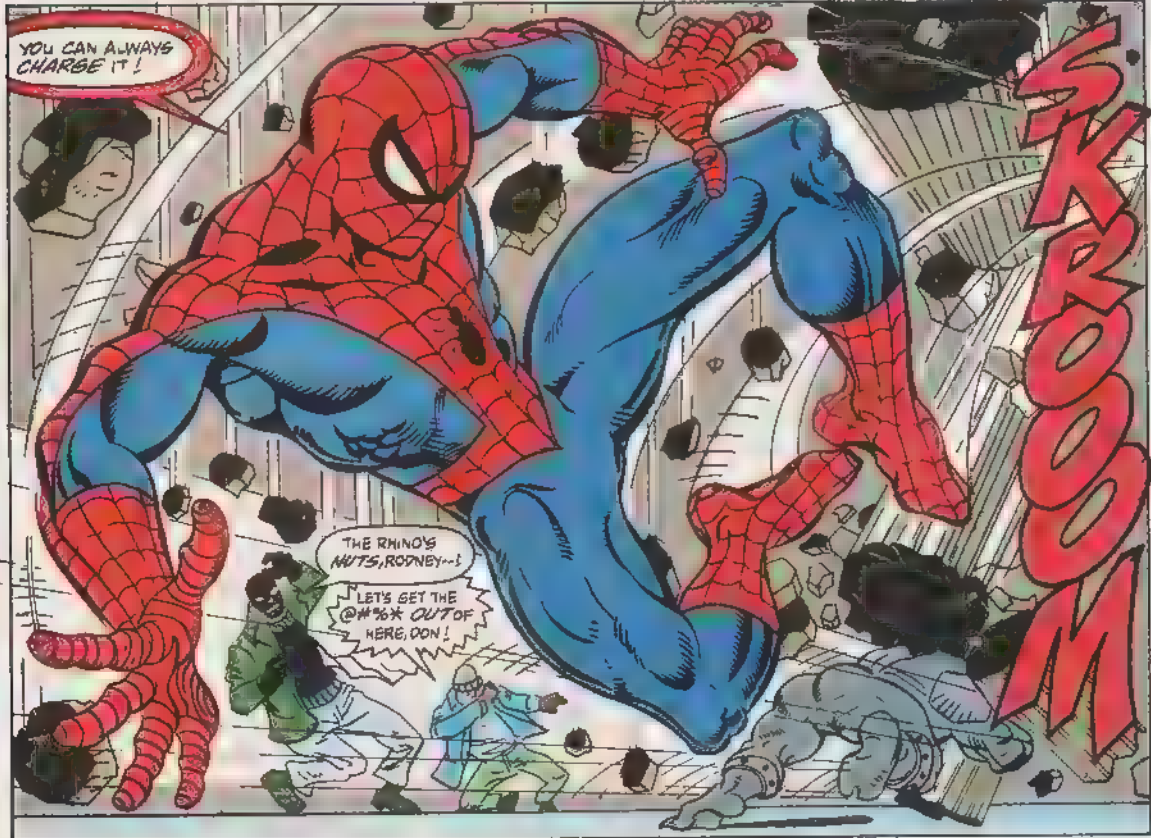


CASH.

OH...
THANKS...
THAT CLEARS
UP EVERYTHING
FOR ME.



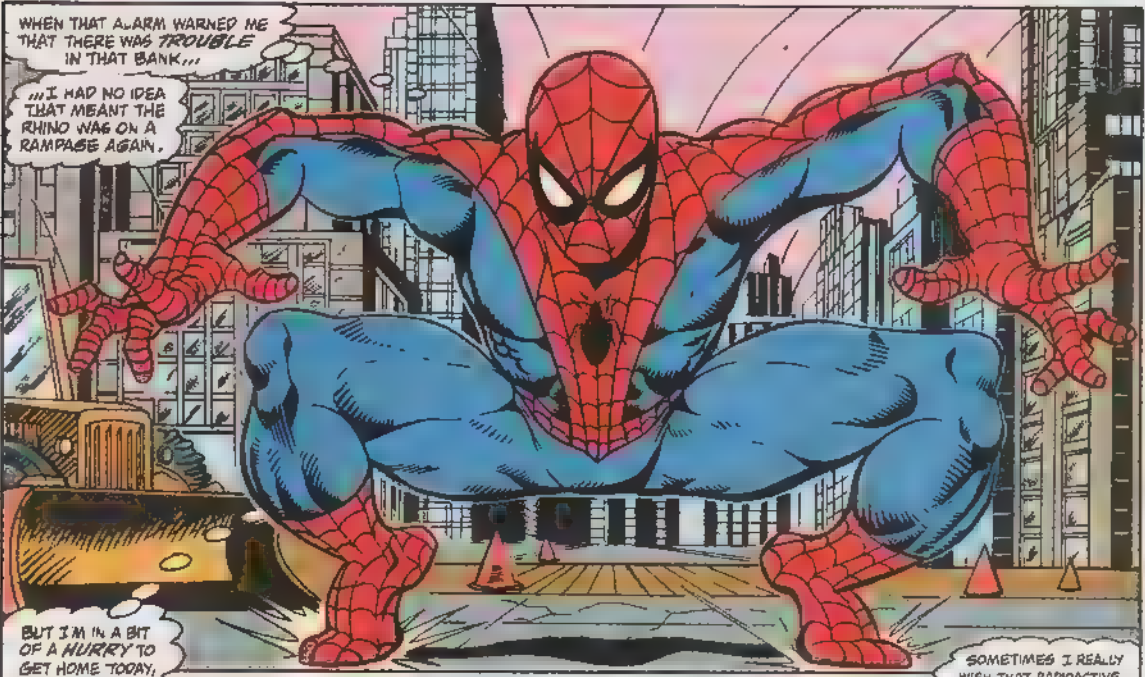
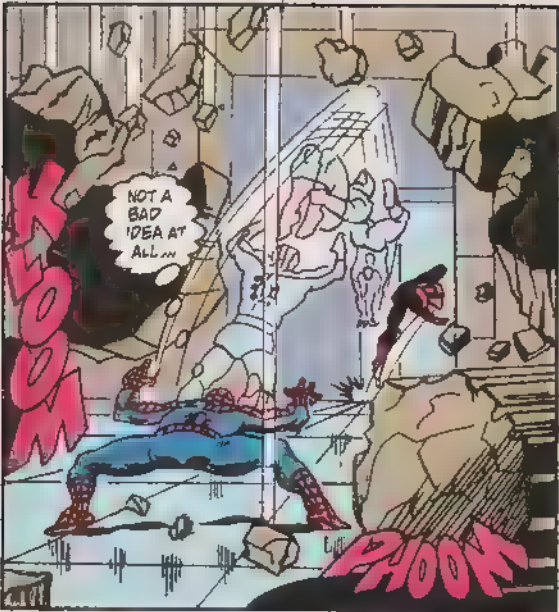
SO WHAT COULD YOU
NEED MONEY FOR ANYWAY,
RHINO...?

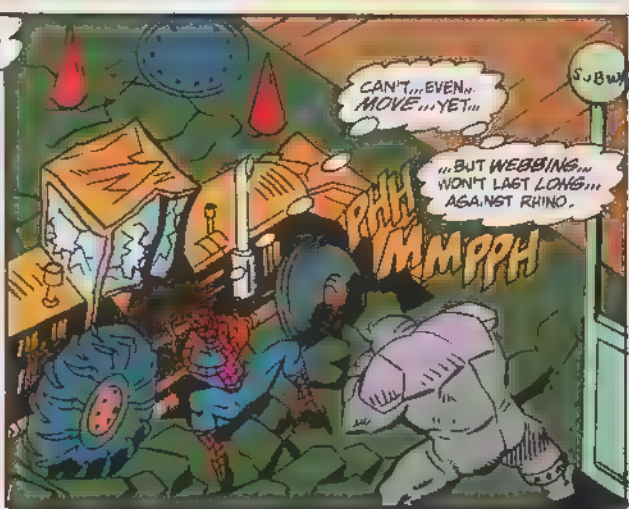
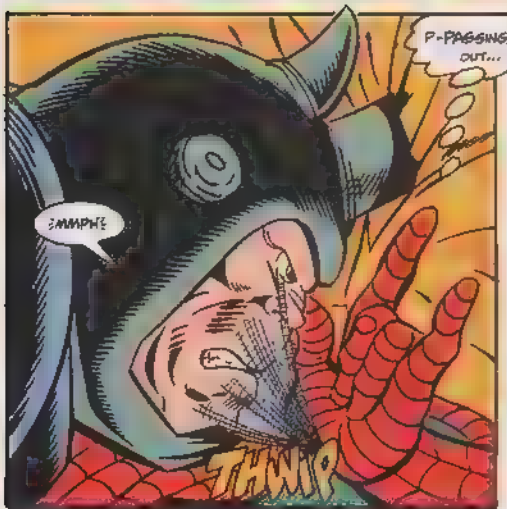
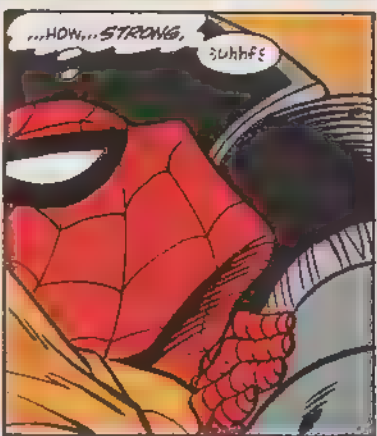
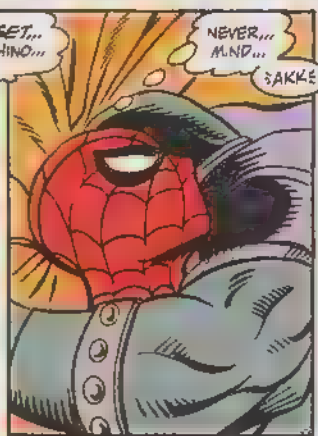
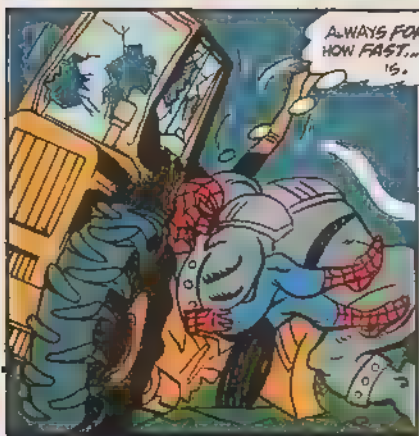
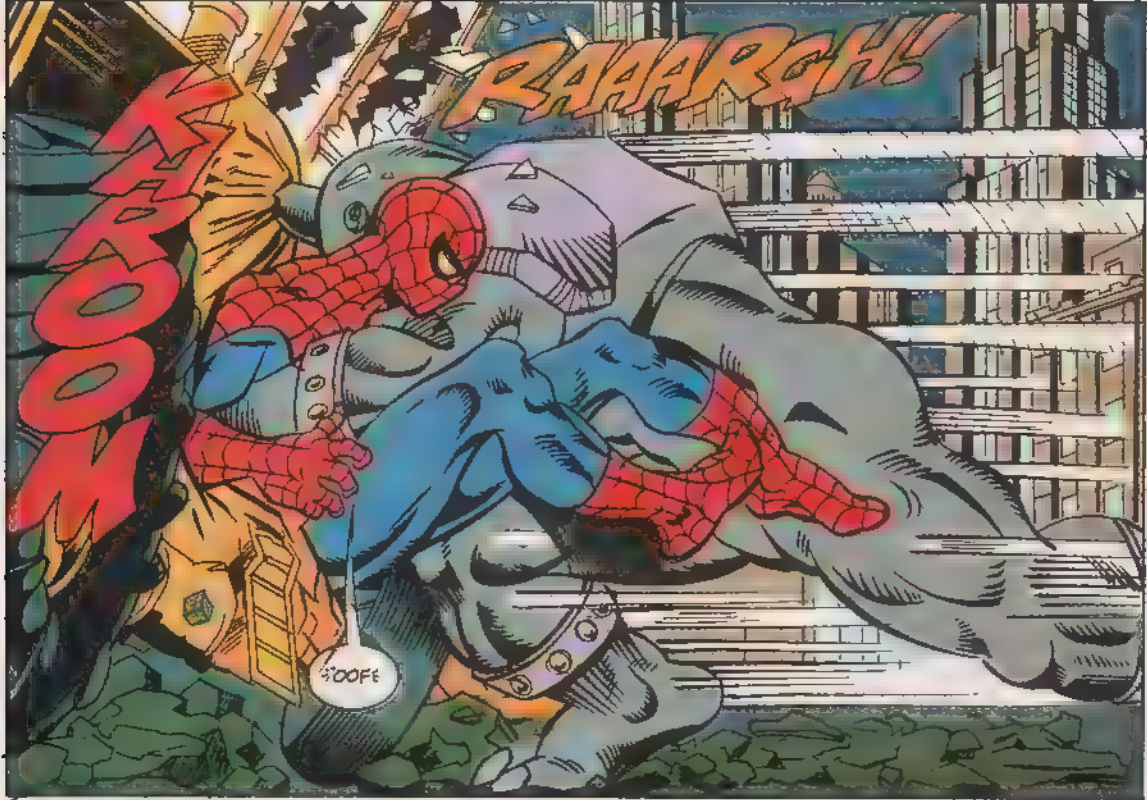


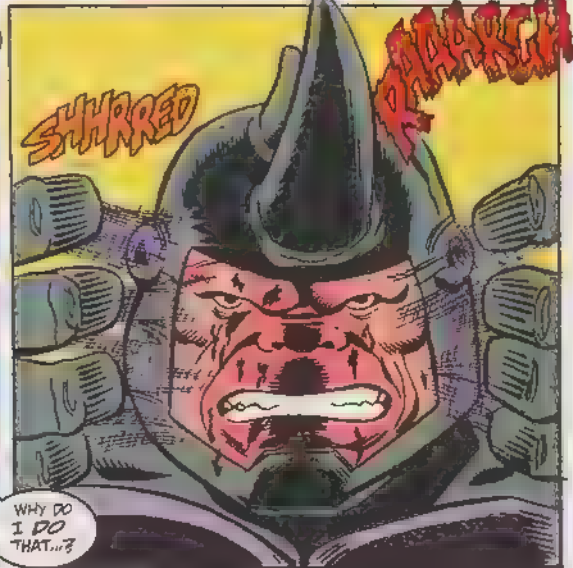
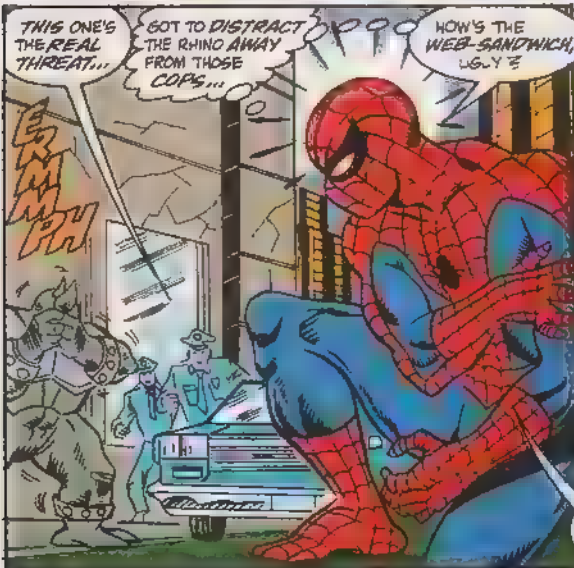
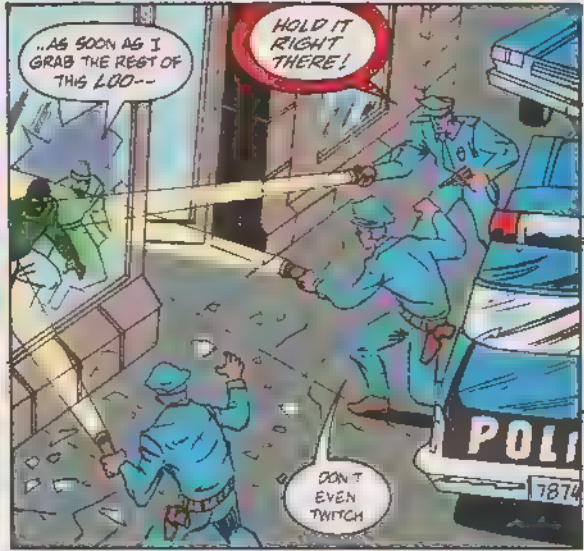
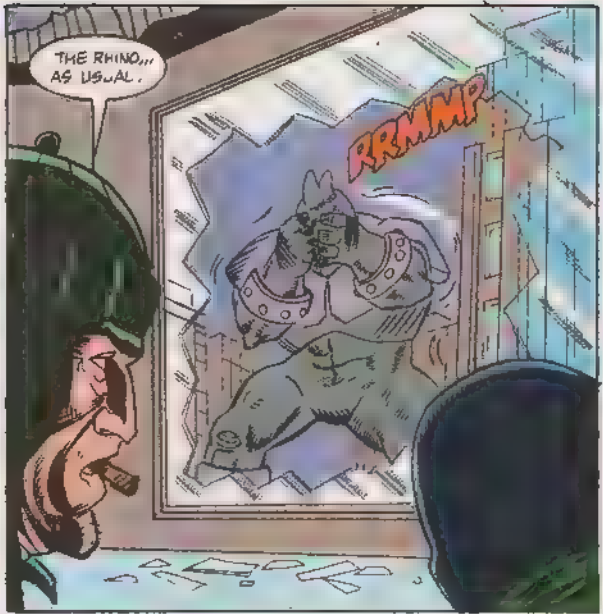
YOU CAN ALWAYS
CHARGE IT!

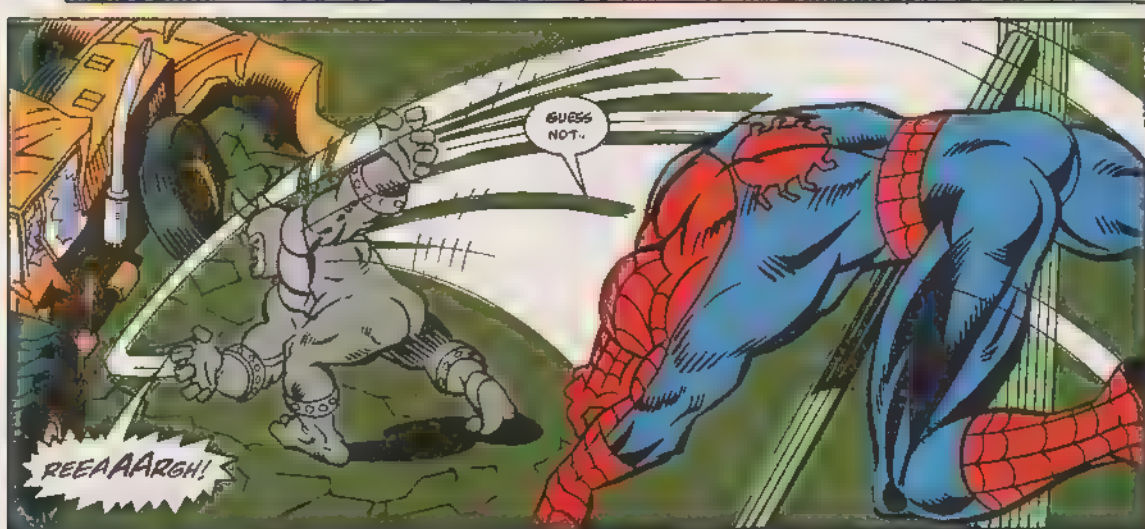
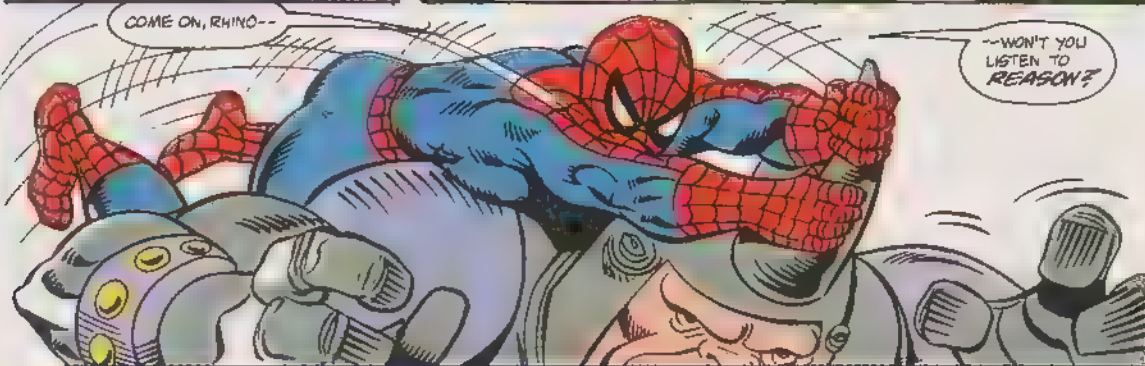
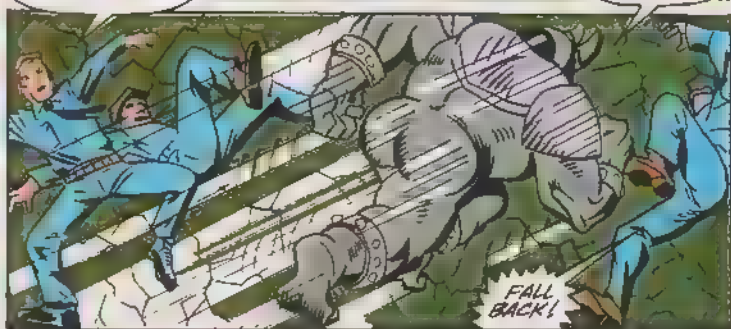
THE RHINO'S
NUTS, RODNEY--!
LET'S GET THE
@#%* OUT OF
HERE, DON!

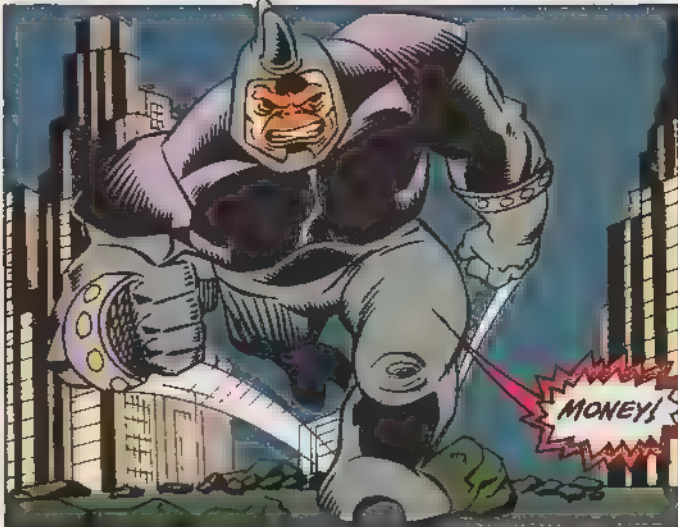
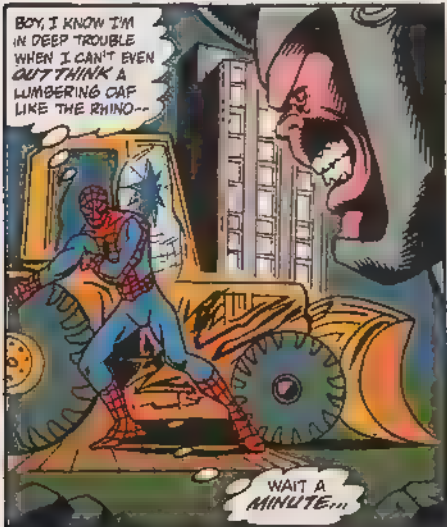
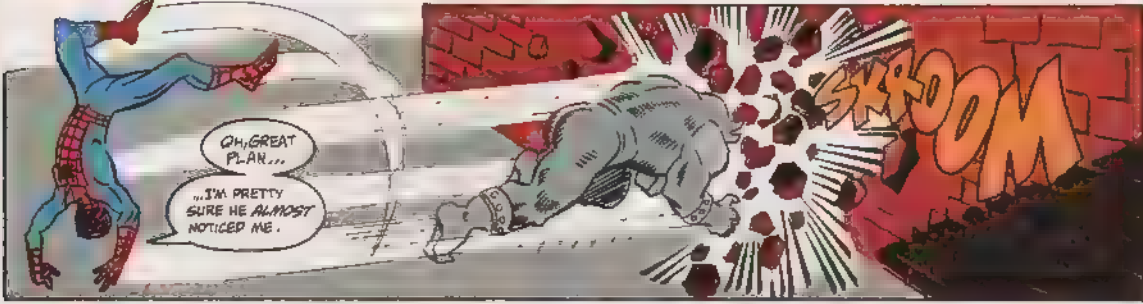
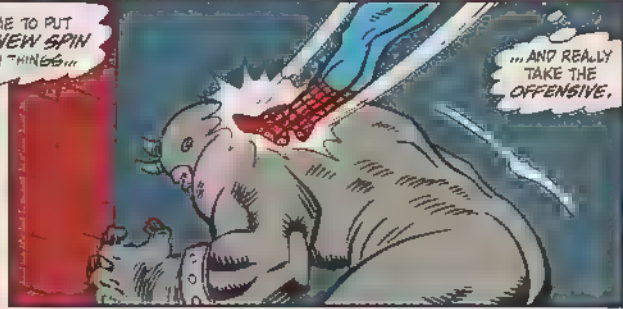
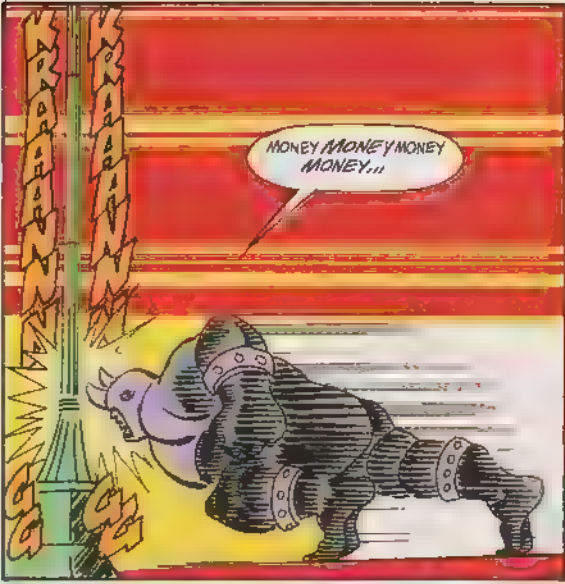
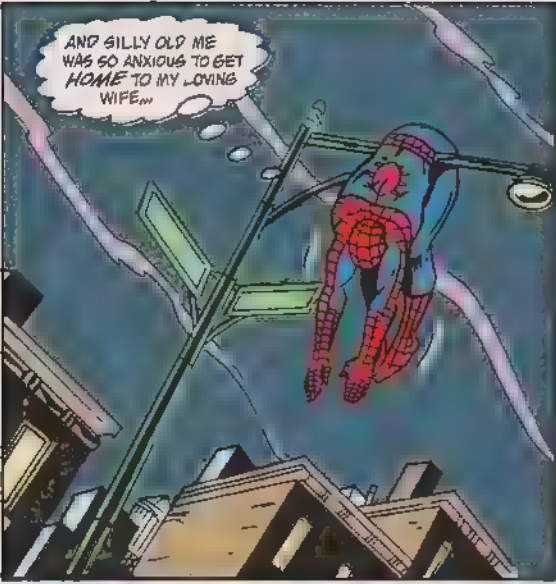
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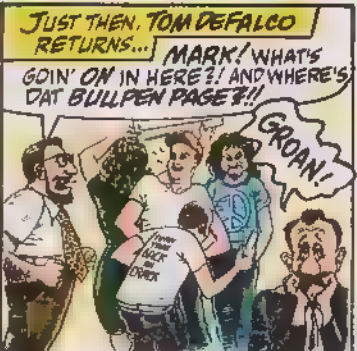
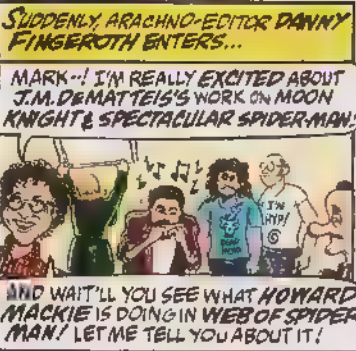
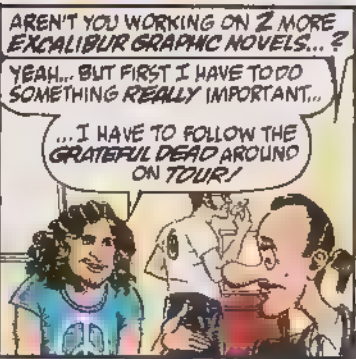
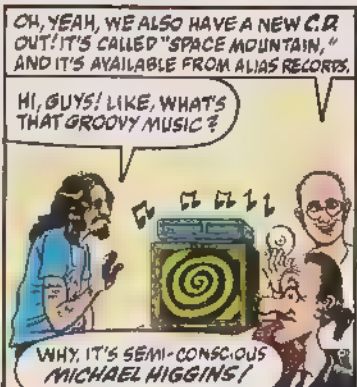
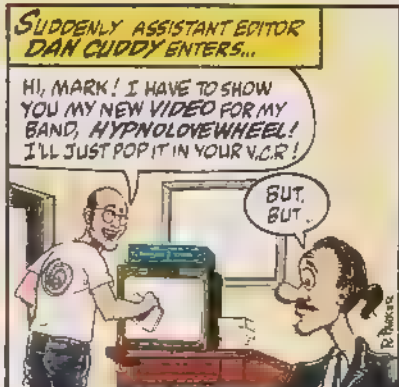
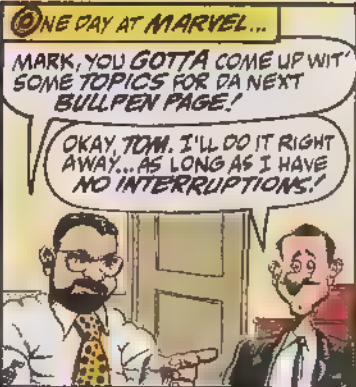
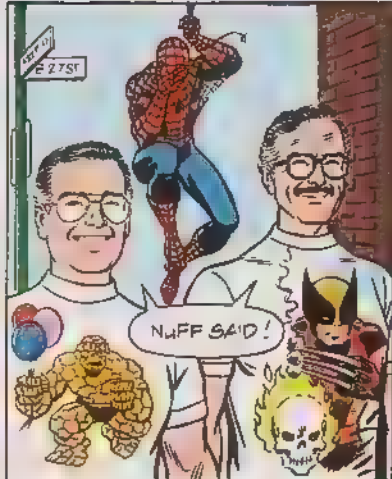
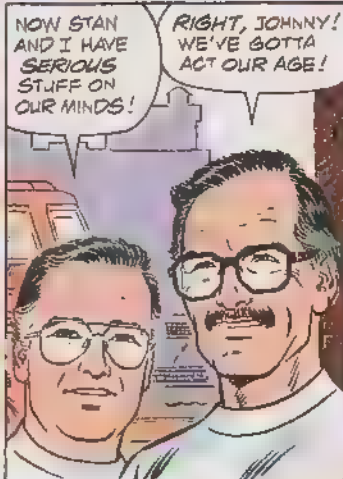
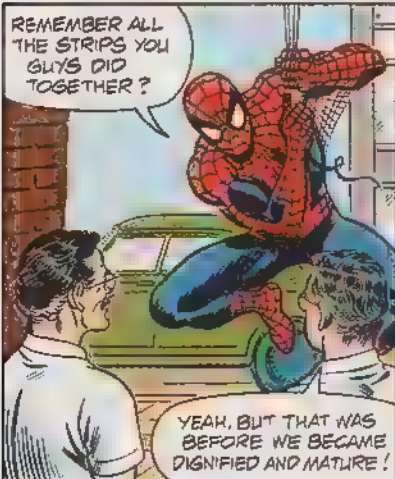


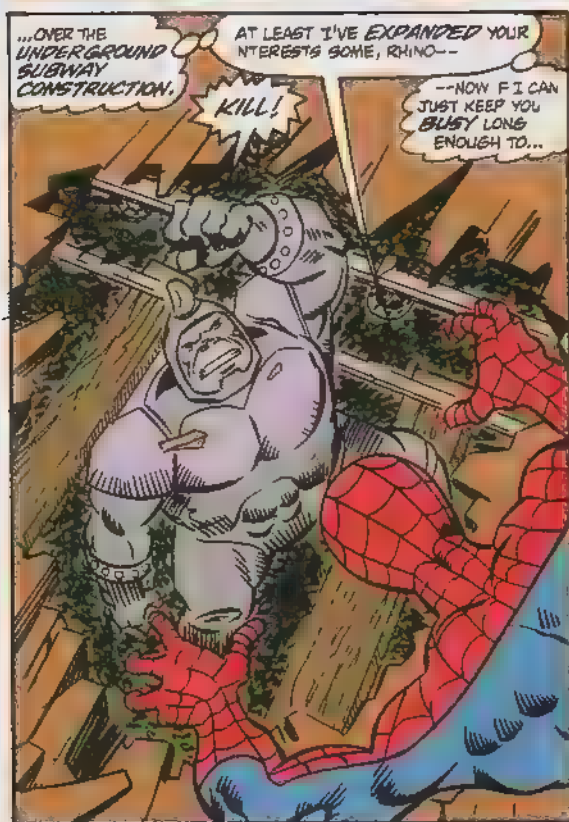
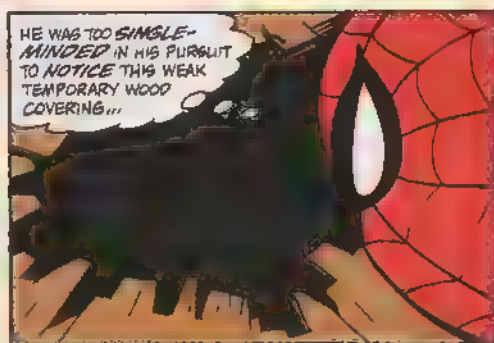


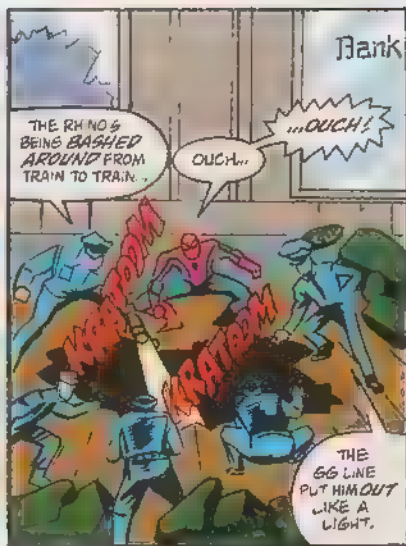
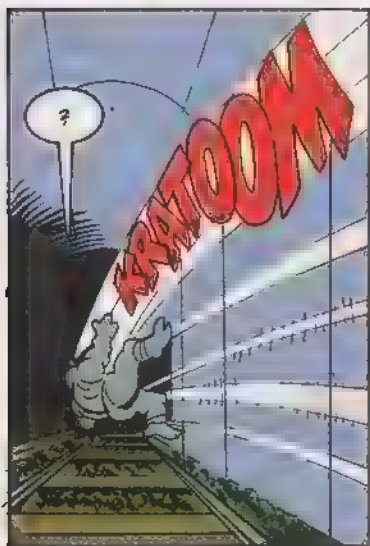




STAN'S SOAPBOX by Stan Lee & John Romita





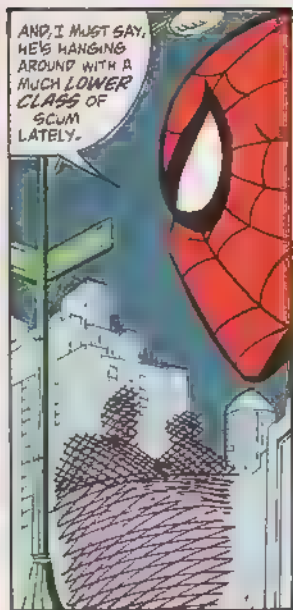




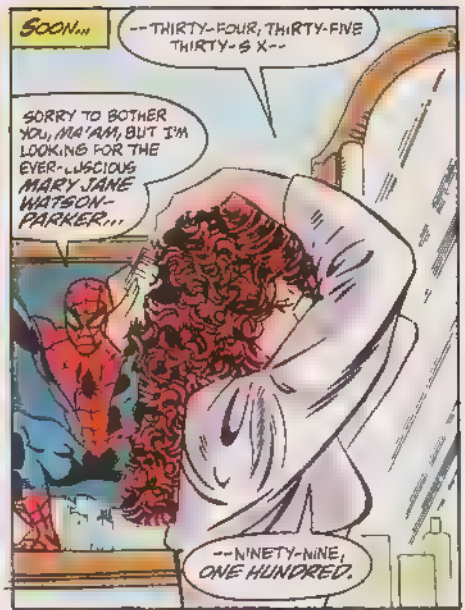
...THE RHINO'S ZOOKEEPERS.

DID YOU SAY "THUMP" ROONEY?

RRRRRRRR



AND, I MUST SAY, HE'S HANGING AROUND WITH A MUCH LOWER CLASS OF SCUM LATELY.



SOON...

--THIRTY-FOUR, THIRTY-FIVE THIRTY-S X--

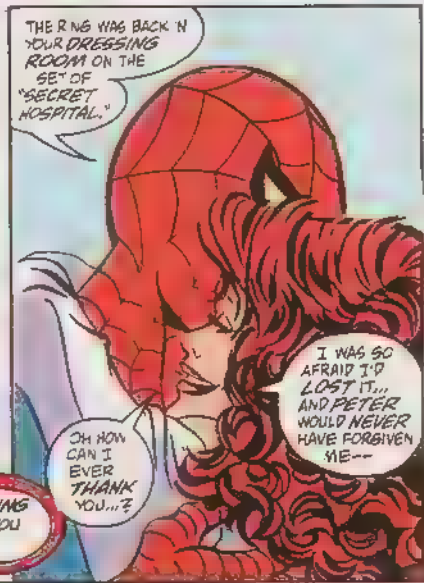
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU, MA'AM, BUT I'M LOOKING FOR THE EVER-LUSCIOUS MARY JANE WATSON-PARKER...

--NINETY-NINE, ONE HUNDRED.



...I THINK THIS BELONGS TO HER.

MY WEDDING RINGS--?! YOU FOUND IT!



THE RING WAS BACK IN YOUR DRESSING ROOM ON THE SET OF "SECRET HOSPITAL."

OH NOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU...?

I WAS SO AFRAID I'D LOST IT... AND PETER WOULD NEVER HAVE FORGIVEN ME--



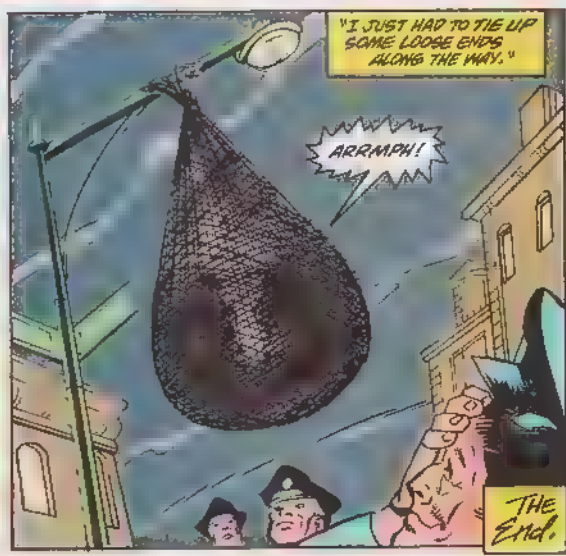
--WOULD YOU?

IN A SECOND PROBABLY, YOU LITTLE VIXEN...



...BUT LET'S GET BACK TO "THANK YOU."

WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG, ANYWAY, TIGER...?



"I JUST HAD TO TIE UP SOME LOOSE ENDS ALONG THE WAY."

ARRRRRRH!

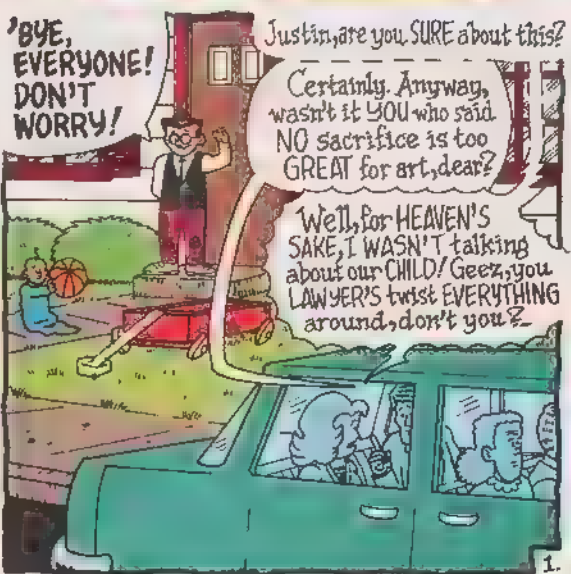
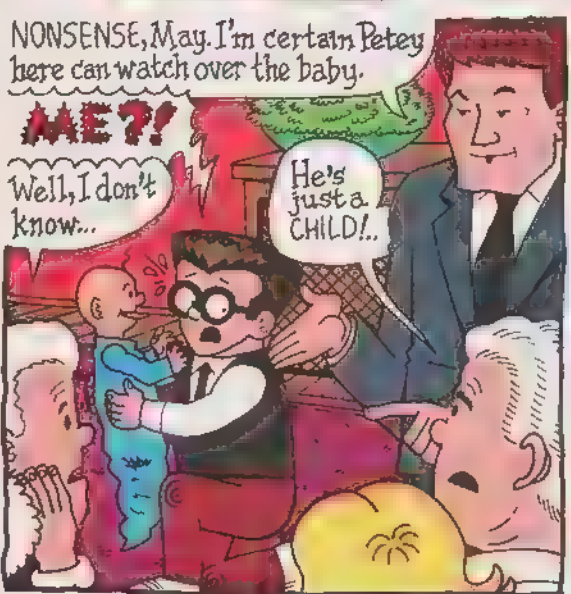
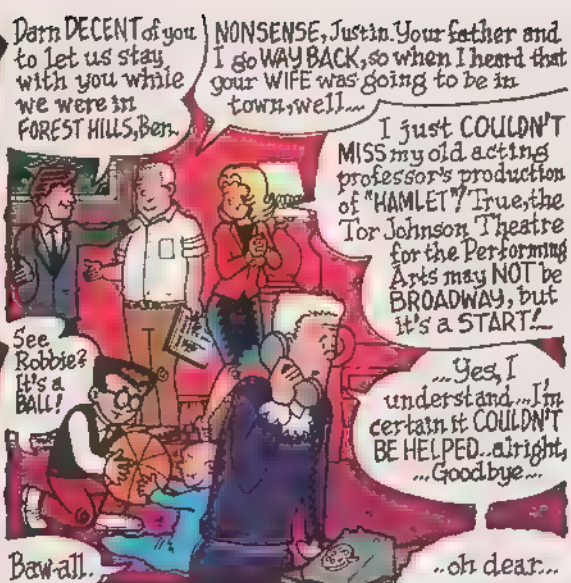
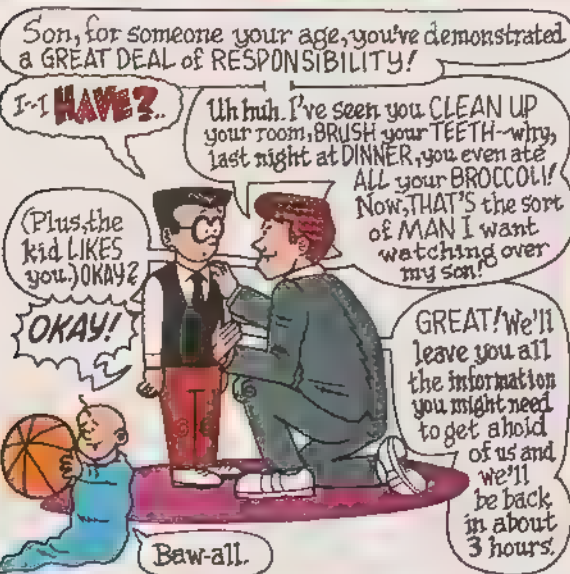
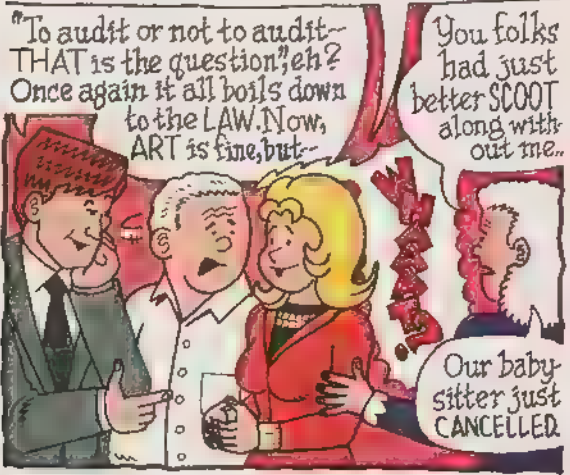
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Stan Lee PRESENTS **Petey**

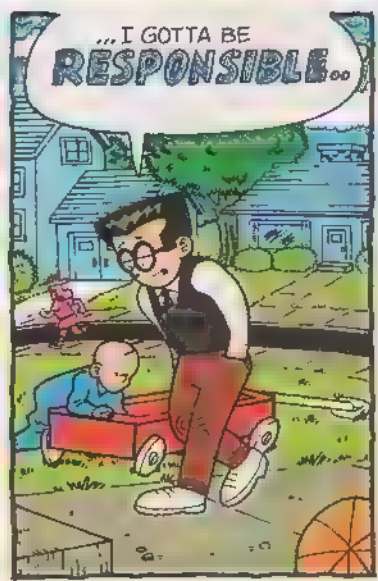
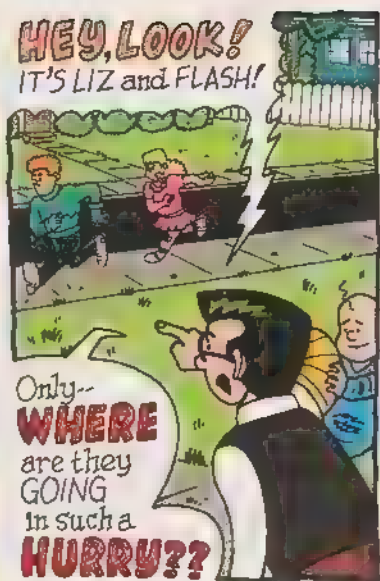
the ADVENTURES of **PETER PARKER LONG** BEFORE HE BECAME **SPIDER-MAN!**

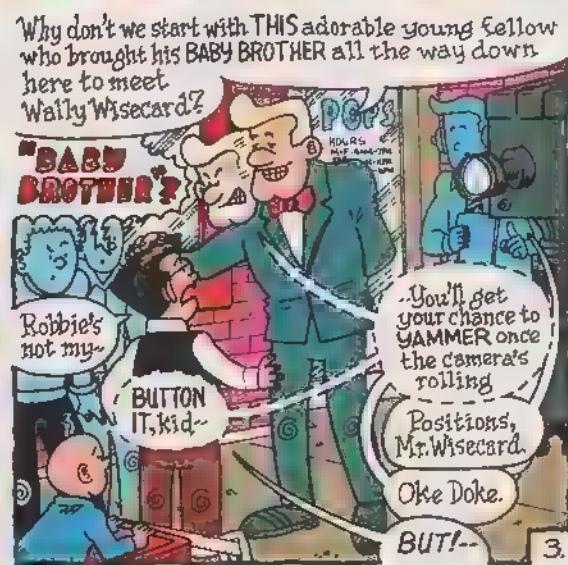
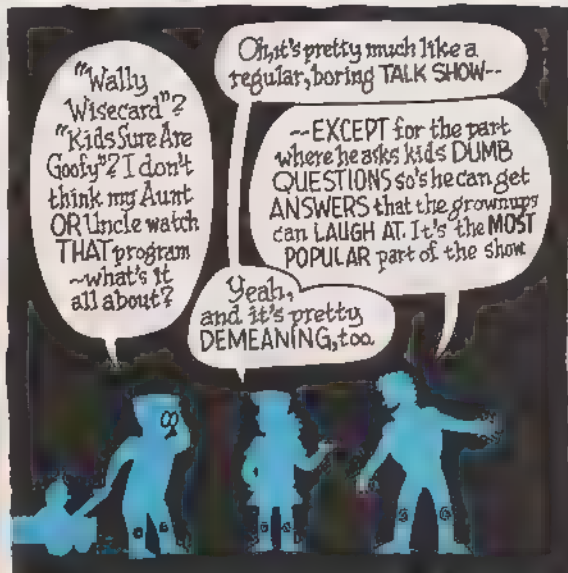
"With Babysitting Comes Great Responsibility!" by **FRED HEMBECK** 1991

I find Shakespeare SO EXCITING, don't you? And I'm ESPECIALLY excited about the professor's idea of setting the play inside the world of the I.R.S.!



COLORING - EVAN SKOLNICK





Hiya, Hiya, HIYA! It's yer ol' buddy, Wally Wisecard, and we're comin' to ya today from outside of POP'S SODA SHOP in Forest Hills where we're sure to prove one more time~ KIDS SURE ARE GOOFY!

I guess the name Wally Wisecard means EXCITEMENT for the WHOLE family because it looks like THIS junior citizen brought his BABY BROTHER along to meet yers truly!

But...

How about telling the VAST viewing audience at home your name, my boy?

Petey Parker.

Look, Mr. Wisecard, I think there's been some mist-

Call me Wally, son.

Petey, you look like a SMART young man. Tell me, did your folks ever INFORM you as to where THIS pint size package CAME FROM?

Sure.

Oh, REALLY? heh~ Well, MAN TO MAN, would you mind telling ME just exactly WHERE this tiny tot ORIGINATED?

Sure. Astoria, Queens.

WHAT?!

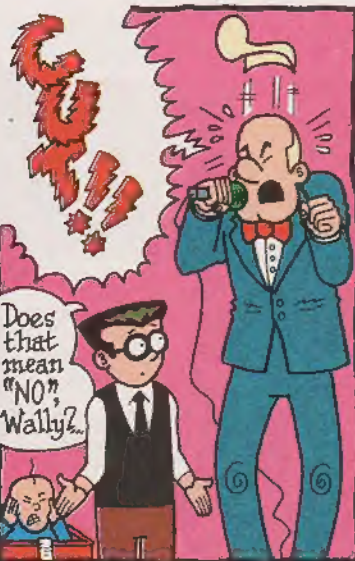
"ASTORIA, QUEENS"?!!

Uh huh~ That's where his PAR-ENTS live.

HIS PARENTS??

{ But--but I thought you said he was YOUR baby brother??... }
No, YOU said that-- never did.

Look, can I have my FREE BANANA SPLIT now? I've got to get Robbie back soon.



Take it EASY, Mr. W.

Don't worry, boss. We'll get it on the NEXT take.

This is SUPPOSED to be the segment where I make the KIDS look STUPID--

NOT VICE VERSA!!
Grrrrr.

BAD NEWS, Mr. Wisecard. Looks like we're going to HAVE to use that piece. In fact, we're going to have to STRETCH this SEGMENT to fill the ENTIRE program!

WHAT?
It seems that the LOCAL facility we were going to use to shoot today's interior portion has been plagued by a MASSIVE power failure.



--In fact, ALL the events scheduled for today at the Tor Johnson Theatre for the Performing Arts have **ALREADY** been **CANCELLED...**



OMIGOSH! That's where Aunt May, Uncle Ben and the Baldwins went! But if EVERYTHING is cancelled?!



NICE job, Parker! Yeah, even I've gotta admit you did a GREAT job making HIM look goofy for a change!



I GOTTA GET OUTTA HERE!

HEY! You're not gonna SPLIT without your Banana Split, are you?



Okay kids, who's NEXT?

ME, Mr. Wiseards, ME!



Why, I can say GOOFY things without even TRYING!

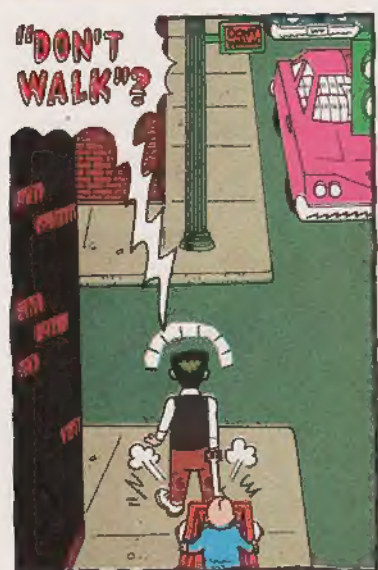
If I don't get back before THEY do! ~shudder~

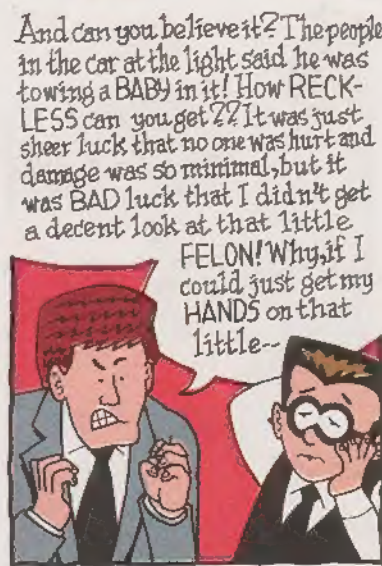


Why, MR. JAMESON, what a PLEASANT SURPRISE, running into you like this!



I sit corrected. Being RUN INTO is ALWAYS a SURPRISE, but I must say, it ISN'T always PLEASANT!





In fact, I believe those who DO do a good job should be REWARDED~

Gosh, sir, that's **REALLY** NOT necess--

So I want you to have THIS. Go ahead~TAKE IT. Take it

down to your local SODA SHOP and buy yourself the LARGEST BANANA SPLIT they make--you DESERVE it!!

No, sir, I don't...

eh?

WHAT do you mean??

Er, just that I was doing you a FAVOR, Mr. Baldwin. You don't have to PAY ME to do you a favor. Uh uh. Nope. Not necessary... heh...

Nonsense. I INSIST, and I WON'T take "NO" for an answer.

O..okay.

Now, SCOOT. You've done ENOUGH for today!

Gosh, Robbie, this doesn't seem RIGHT, but maybe if nobody knows what REALLY happened, everyone'll be HAPPIER--

ESPECIALLY ME!

Baw-ah!

=sigh=

Guess I'd better go while I've got the CHANCE...

SPEED!

Well, there IS one good thing about getting home this EARLY, Justin...

Yes, Maddy...

--you folks wouldn't mind if we watched our FAVORITE TV program, The **WALLY WISECARD SHOW**, would you?

Why, no, of course not.

I just ADORE when he talks to the **CHILDREN...**

--you ALWAYS find out things about them that you just **NEVER** knew!...

..speed baw-ah!

Yes, folks, young ROBBIE BALDWIN will soon grow up to become the NEW WARRIOR known as...

SPEEDBALL!

..Oh... my... gosh...

PETEY!

...DID... SOMEONE... CALL... ME?

..And THAT'S how young Petey Parker learned that with GREAT IRRESPONSIBILITY comes a GREAT DEAL OF TROUBLE--

..the KIND of trouble that ALWAYS comes back to haunt you (and to HURT you) in--

THE END!